

CORLEY FAMILY NAPA VALLEY



MONTICELLO VINEYARDS

ESTATE GROWN

Merlot

OAK KNOLL DISTRICT | NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE 2013



TASTING NOTES

This wine displays a nice deep garnet tone. The aromas are full and bright, with a lively beam of acidity and an appealing hint of lightly toasted oak, slight spice and vanilla. On the palate the wine is full bodied with a modest attack. The supple flavors are of classic red fruits. It is well-balanced from front to finish, with a well-rounded texture on the midpalate. The wine has a long soft finish with just a trace of brightness, and a dash of tannin. Drink now through 2025.

Winemaker, Chris Corley

FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTION

Mongolian Beef Skewers (with Chile Jam)

VINEYARDS, VINTAGE & VINIFICATION

2013 was a wonderful wine-growing season in Napa Valley, a true classic. With the exception of a slight heat spike in June, the weather remained consistent throughout the 2013 growing season. The vines embraced the easy year by offering ripe fruit characteristics and resolved tannins. This Merlot was grown on our Knollwood Vineyard estate in Oak Knoll District. The grapes were handpicked and handsorted prior to stainless steel tank fermentation. The wine was drained and pressed shortly before dryness and completed the fermentation without further skin contact. The wine was aged in French oak barrels for 28 months prior to bottling.

PRODUCTION

2200 Cases, 94 % Merlot, 6 % Cabernet Franc, 14.4% Alcohol

Excellence

Very few things in life are both of the moment and timeless; every time you open a Corley wine, you rediscover the original experience but with more understanding than before. ~The Corley Family