

VINTAGE 2002 CORLEY

Proprietary Red Wine

Small winery; Big reputation. The CORLEY FAMILY grows and produces 15,000 cases of exclusively Napa Valley wines designated as MONTICELLO VINEYARDS, CORLEY RESERVE and our CORLEY Proprietary Red Wine. We grow Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir and Syrah on five small vineyard sites in the Oak Knoll, Yountville, Rutherford and St. Helena appellations of Napa Valley.

Tasting Notes

Our 2002 CORLEY Propriety Red Wine is a great representative of the stellar 2002 Vintage, in which these 'Bordeaux' varietals are showing an amazing depth of quality in aromatics, flavors and texture. The Vintage, in general – and certainly this wine, is tending toward early enjoyment and graceful aging! Our Vintage 2002 has intertwined characteristics of the previous three vintages. As was the case with 2001, Merlot is the predominant varietal (50%) followed closely by Cabernet Franc (40%) and then Cabernet Sauvignon makes up the balance (10%) at levels approximating the Vintage 1999.

Vineyards and Vintage

Cabernet Franc

Home Ranch Vineyard and Knollwood Vineyard - Napa Valley, Oak Knoll District The Cabernet Franc from these plantings bring spicy aromas and a velvety texture to the wine.

Merlot

Home Ranch Vineyard and Knollwood Vineyard - Napa Valley, Oak Knoll District
The Merlot offers deep red and black berry flavors and aromatics. The bright fruit is accompanied by a suppleness that shows in the mouth-feel of the final wine.

Cabernet Sauvignon

State Lane Vineyard - Napa Valley, Yountville

This Cabernet Sauvignon shows a great core of deep, dark black fruits with big, rich, chewy tannins - Blockbuster Napa Cabernet Sauvignon.

Tietjen Vineyard on Niebaum Lane - Napa Valley, Rutherford

The Cabernet Sauvignon from this vineyard shows a great core of berry fruit with tremendous brightness. It also adds an elegance and suppleness to the texture of the wine.

Vintage Vintage 2002 produced a balanced grape crop that is average-to-light in terms of

yield and showing excellent, intense colors and flavor concentration.

Barrel Aging 25 Months in French Oak

Alcohol 14.1%