



CORLEY FAMILY NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE 1998
CORLEY RESERVE
Estate Grown Merlot

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 and Pinot Noir on the five small vineyard sites in the Oak Knoll, Yountville, Rutherford and St. Helena appellations of Napa Valley.

Tasting Notes

Our Vintage 1998 CORLEY RESERVE Estate Grown Merlot offers gorgeous blueberry and red berry flavors and aromatics. The bright fruit is accompanied by a suppleness that shows in the mouth-feel of the final wine.

Vineyard Location

Home Ranch Vineyard - Oak Knoll District of Napa Valley

The Merlot in the wine comes from Clones #181 and #8 planted to 420A rootstock in Block IV of our *Home Ranch Vineyard*. The Merlot offers gorgeous blueberry and red berry flavors and aromatics. The bright fruit is accompanied by a suppleness that shows in the mouth-feel of the final wine.

Harvest Dates / Brix

October 17, 1998 at an average 24.3 Brix

Vintage

The 1998 vintage is characterized by its challenging weather conditions. However, the lower yields increased the juice to skin ratio and led to greater extraction and concentration of fruit flavors, color and intensity.

Barrel Aging

24 Months French Oak

Alcohol

14.1%
