

MERLOT CENTRAL COAST 2016

The bright berry flavors and spiciness which originates from our prime Santa Maria vineyard have resulted in a fruit forward and eminently drinkable Merlot. After aging the wine in 60-gallon French oak barrels for 12 months, this wine has a deliberate merlot structure with proper amounts of tannins and viscosity. This 2016 merlot is showing beautifully now and will age nicely over the next 3-5 years.

STATISTICS

Production: 4,250 cases

Vineyard Location: Santa Maria

Winemakers: Philip Zorn, Angelo Pera

Soil Types: Sandy Loam

Planted: 2001, East/West Axis

Harvest Date: September 19, 2015

Release Date: July 10, 2017

Alcohol: 13.9%

Aging: 12 months in French oak barrels

TASTING NOTES

Rich full-flavored cherry with hints of cinnamon on the nose.

