

PRIDE MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS

2020 MERLOT

Not only is this a great merlot, it is as beautiful a merlot as we have ever made. What makes it so special? As mandated by merlot, the 2020 is foremost about the fruit, with ripe mulberry and kirsch taking center stage to provide pure smile-inducing pleasure. But this is no simple fruit bomb. It permeates your senses with tangy elderberry, verbena, lemon grass and savory black pepper notes. It is fresh, nuanced and cerebral in addition to providing the comforting fruit pleasure and luxuriant mouthfeel we require from merlot. The finish rises with verve and excitement resulting in complex choreography if you look for it, but indulgent relaxed pleasure if you are just stretched out on the couch. This year's 2020 Pride Mountain Vineyards Merlot defines the essence of what makes merlot such a great varietal.



PROFILE

Appellation:	88% Napa 12% Sonoma
Vintage:	2020
Harvest:	September 2020
Fermentation:	Stainless Steel
Cooperage:	French Oak
Blend:	90% Merlot 5% Cabernet Sauvignon 5% Petit Verdot
Alcohol:	14.3%
Bottling:	April 2022
Production:	3451
Release Date:	August 2022
Retail Price:	\$65.00