



TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: California

ALCOHOL: 14.3% by vol.

PH: 3.72

TA: 6.01 g/L



R|COLLECTION MERLOT

CALIFORNIA

2021

ABOUT THE VINTAGE

2021 was a smooth and uneventful harvest season. June started out warm, followed by a cool and foggy July and August that slowed ripening and caused nice retention of acidity. Even ripening, with no extreme heat events, made for ideal growing conditions. Sparse winter rains resulted in an early budbreak, evenly developed clusters, and smaller berries packed full of flavor. Overall, the fruit was exceptional, making it another amazing year for quality.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

The R|Collection Merlot is sourced from the finest vineyards throughout California, with each area adding a unique layer into the overall taste profile. Minimally intrusive winemaking techniques allow the true California terroir to shine through in every glass poured and bottle enjoyed.

WINE PROFILE

An aromatic bouquet of blackcurrant and fig with hints of spice greet the nose in this beautiful 2021 R|Collection Merlot. Black cherry, plum and toasted almond flavors are balanced by a touch of turned earth. The lush mouthfeel leads to structured tannins and a satisfying finish.