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Buena Vista Winery

SONOMA

2012
MERLOT

With its roots so deeply ensconced in the foundations of Sonoma where it was established in 1857, Buena Vista Winery is again introducing wines from Sonoma. The Sonoma wines include a diverse array of varietals that celebrate the diversity of Sonoma's terroir and the contribution of Buena Vista to establishing the California wine world.

The 2012 Buena Vista Winery Sonoma County Merlot is harvested from vineyards renowned for their terroir. The diversity of Sonoma County's landscape is what makes it so perfect for grape growing. The strong maritime influence results in cool nights, and days that rarely get too hot, contributing to layers of oceanic fog that creep into Sonoma's interior valleys.

The 2012 vintage is being described as "excellent," "outstanding" and "ideal" by many, as the wine grape harvest across California yielded generous amounts of high quality fruit. In our vineyards, textbook conditions saw near-ideal spring bud break, steady flowering, even fruit set, and a lengthy stretch of warm days and cool and often foggy nights during the long summer months. Late and light rains held off until our treasured wine grapes found optimal ripeness, bringing exceptional quality to the crush pad and into the cellar.

The 2012 Sonoma County Merlot is a medium-bodied, well-structured and complex Merlot that excites with juicy black fruit flavors that intermingled with notes of tobacco, clove, black pepper and all spice.

Alcohol: 13.5%

pH: 3.78

Total Acidity: 5.9 g/L



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