

HOWELL MOUNTAIN MERLOT



From a site situated at 2,200 feet in elevation, our Merlot vineyard on Howell Mountain enjoy the best views of the valley. The vineyard sits on a steep grade, requiring the stressed vines to dig deep into earth. The result is remarkably concentrated fruit with tremendous structure.

This 2016 Howell Mountain Merlot is a powerful testament to what is possible for one of the great, but often underrated, grapes of the wine world. Cabernet lovers will be floored with the intensity and boldness of this 100% varietal wine. While Merlot is often an afterthought in Napa Valley, this bottle is certainly intentional.

ACCOLADES

93 Points, Wine Spectator

EXPECT NOTES OF

Milk chocolate, espresso, and dried red fruits on the nose; Chocolate covered cherries and cocoa on the palate

APPELLATION

Howell Mountain, Napa Valley

BLEND

100% Merlot

VINIFICATION

Four-week native fermentation in open top 65% new French oak barrels for 29 months

PRODUCTION

168 Cases

PAIRING

Filet mignon, rib eye steak

BOTTLE

\$85