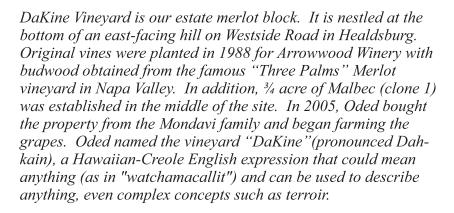


2019 MERLOT

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

DAKINE VINEYARD



Merlot is a Bordeaux variety with a long tradition as a wine blended into Cabernet Sauvignon but one that also produces the iconic wines of the "Right Bank". Our estate vineyard makes a wine that is balanced, naturally. It is a field-blend, meaning we grow, harvest and co-ferment the Merlot and Malbec together. We believe that the combination of 30 year-old vines and a microclimate that is cooler than the surrounding valleys but warm enough to ripen the grapes every year work together to create a complex wine with a sense of place.

DaKine Merlot is lush with black currant, violet and plum aromas with that signature note of dried herbs. The generous mid-palate is full of sweet-tasting tannins, and dark chocolate flavors. As always, this is our favorite wine to pair with a rare Filet Mignon or a beef carpaccio.

Cheers

Owner / Winemaker

Appellation:

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24 Months in French Oak Barrels

Analysis: Alcohol 14.5 % TA 6.6 g/L pH 3.79

Composition: Merlot 89.0% Malbec 11.0%

Production: 222 Cases

