

ESTD  1876

BERINGER

FOUNDERS' ESTATE



MERLOT

CALIFORNIA

VINEYARDS

Beringer Founders' Estate Merlot was chosen from vineyards in the Central Coast, North Coast, as well as Lodi and the California Delta. The California coast offers grapes that are cooled by maritime influence, while the vineyards in the interior produce grapes of great intensity and flavor. The diverse microclimates of each area produces a wonderful depth of flavor, elegance and intensity.

WINEMAKING

The winemaking team worked closely with the viticulture department to determine when each vineyard reached full maturity. Small amounts of Petite Sirah and Petit Verdot were added for complexity and depth of flavors. Aging with seasoned French and American oak for five months added toastiness and hints of brown spice to the final blend.

TASTING NOTES

The Beringer Founders' Estate Merlot is immediately approachable with lush flavors of blueberry, blackberry and plum complemented by dark chocolate and spice. Its well balanced, soft tannins make this wine a perfect accompaniment to a variety of foods, such as beef tenderloin, spaghetti bolognese, or aged gouda.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Alc %: 13.4

TA: 5.4 G/L

pH: 6.62

RS: 6.5 G/L