



DOUBLE TAKE

2022 NAPA VALLEY MERLOT

Ah yes, Merlot, the besmirched grape varietal, defamed on the big screen years ago, banished to red wine blends and grocery store bottom shelves. In the decades since, a resurgence has emerged, particularly among the well-traveled and seasoned palates. For years, incredible vineyards and barrels full of Merlot have been tragically sidelined. So let's do a double take with the varietal and give it some justice. Presenting the fourth vintage of our Merlot, sourced entirely from the Stagecoach Vineyard on Atlas Peak in the Napa Valley.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

A dark mauve core with an appealing crimson rim sits in the glass. The nose opens with alluring hints of blackberry, dark chocolate, tarragon, black rose and wet granite with the steady energy of volcanic soils. The palate engages with focused notes of black plum, blueberry, violets, Tahitian vanilla and a generous dose of texture throughout. Chalky on the finish the wine closes with a satiating thimble of sweet oak, all of which have come to define *Double Take*.

BLEND

Merlot

MATURATION

Aged 14 months in French Oak, 81% New

ALC/VOL

15.5%

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