



Purchase Price:	\$35.00
Harvest Date:	October 2007
Barrel Aging:	18 Months
Barrell Type:	45% French Oak, 55% American Oak; 30% New
Bottling Date:	August 2009
Release Date:	March 2011
Aging Potential:	5 - 8 years
Alcohol:	14.1%

2007 MERLOT

NAPA VALLEY

WINEMAKER NOTES: The 2007 growing season was marked by a dry spring and early veraison, which led us to believe it would be a quick harvest. Cooling conditions in September and October, however, turned it into one of the longest. Moderate yields and smaller berries resulted in sweet, delicious fruit tannins and exceptional color. Estate grown at our Persephone Vineyard, the altitude and soil types contribute to intense, complex flavors. This wine is drinking very well now and will age for 3-5 years. 84% Merlot, 13% Petit Verdot and 3% Cabernet Sauvignon.

SENSORY DESCRIPTION: Our much anticipated 2007 Merlot has a bright nose filled with cherries, cranberries, brown sugar, and a hint of eucalyptus. With a complex and layered flavor profile of black cherry, cocoa, tobacco, blackberry, and cranberry, terrific tannin structure, and a long, luscious, smooth finish. This is a delicious, well balanced wine, which will pair well with many savory flavors, including fish.