



Napa Valley Merlot / 2022

#2 Top 10 Wine Values of 2025 Wine Spectator

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LUXURY MERLOT PIONEERS

Since 1972, experts in Merlot because we are one of Napa's first wineries to bottle Merlot. The flagship Merlot from Napa's pioneering Merlot house.

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OUR BEST MERLOT YET

Sourced from the highest quality Merlot from estate and top Napa Valley vineyard partners that reflects the pride and vision of the Terlato Family.

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REFRESHED WINERY LEADERSHIP

Brings an elevated focus on specific blocks and clones, crafting wines with greater depth, intrigue, and unique personality.

UNEARTH THE GREATNESS Of the True Napa Valley

Founded in 1972, Rutherford Hill was one of those original few. Who, pioneering Merlot helped define the standard that Napa Valley has become renowned for across the world. We see very vintage as an opportunity to express the incredible depth of character our fruit offers, with balance, elegance and poise. Employing state of the art techniques, using carefully selected parcels of fruit and only the finest French oak barrel regimen, nothing is left to chance in our pursuit of perfection.

UPC: 8689102892-7
SCG: 10-08689102892-4
Case: 12pk

\$22 BTG

Explore Rutherford Hill Merlot



WHY IT'S A MUST HAVE

The new benchmark for Merlot, Rutherford Hill Merlot is both complex and delicious. Our Merlot is dense, opulent, integrated and well-suited to being sipped on its own and is incredibly food-friendly



Highest Scoring CA Merlot Under \$50 SRP
Wine Spectator 2022 Vintage

VINTAGE NOTES:

2022 saw a pronounced spike in late season heat. However our majority 20year old Merlot vines were well posed to help make delicious wine with layers and complexity.

TARGET

Polished Casual Dining+ BTG/BTB. Ideal for Independents seeking alternatives to higher priced Merlot offerings that will give guests more expression and elevated quality

ON THE MENU

Trade up, top shelf luxury Merlots BTG, BTG LTOs and Merlot Section BTB listings

DID YOU KNOW

#1 Fastest Menu Growth
Top 10 CA Merlots \$70-90 BTB

#3 On Premise Merlot \$70-\$90 BTB
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Appellation: Napa Valley

Varietals: 92% Merlot and 6% Cabernet Franc, 2% Cabernet Sauvignon

Aroma: Juicy burgundy plum and olallieberry, plum liquor and delicate floral blossom notes

Taste: Delicious dark fruits of the forest in unity with some spice and hazelnut in a long juicy finish

Fermentation: 21 days on skins with twice daily pump overs.

Once pressed off skins, the wine moved to barrel and gracefully aged in our extensive cave system for 15 months.

Aging: 14 months in 100% French Oak (30% is New)

Alcohol: 14.4%

Harvest Date: 9/15/22

Winemaker: Michael Coode



On Premise

Somm ai, 365 days, CA Merlot, BTB \$70-\$90 BTB Aug 2025

