THE LOST CHAPTERS MERLOT

Volume: XXI Vintage: 2017 Appellation: Napa Valley Composition: Merlot 85%, Cabernet Sauvignon 10% Cabernet Franc 5%

WINEMAKER COMMENTS:

Detailed attention to winemaking including meticulous fermentation monitoring and cap management gave this Merlot the opportunity to show its very best color, aroma, and flavor potential. 18 months of aging in a combination of American and French oak barrels gave it opportunity to develop into a robust taste treat with supple tannins to delight the pallet.

TASTING NOTES:

The deep garnet hue hints at the body and flavor complexity to follow. Nuanced aromas of raspberries, white pepper, anise, and dark chocolate are followed by bountiful flavors including raspberries and earth, with hints of vanilla and spice. The medium bodied release carries just enough tannin to make it a great pairing with marbled cuts of meat and rich hard cheeses.

WINEMAKERS: PAUL SCOTTO, MITCH COSENTINO

Alcohol: 14.5% RS: 0.09% 6 84586 92278 1 PH: 3.40 TA: .068%



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