

# Taft Street

## 2016 MERLOT SONOMA COUNTY

This Sonoma County Merlot has aromas of black cherry and mocha. Flavors of raspberry, plum, and vanilla are complemented by the medium tannins and moderate acidity.

### VINIFICATION

The grapes were yeasted and tank fermented at cool temperatures. Multiple daily pump overs allowed for color and flavor extraction. The must was then pressed to barrel in a combination of American and French oak.

### VINEYARD LOCATION

The grapes for this wine come primarily from a single vineyard in Dry Creek Valley in northern Sonoma County.

### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The 2016 growing season started with consistent rainfall with moderate spring temps allowing for an early bud break and rapid growth. Warmer temps and a dry summer without frost accelerated ripening and resulted in quite condensed flavors.

### COOPERAGE

18 months in 50% 1-year French and 50% 1-year American Oak

### TOTAL CASES PRODUCED

550 cases

### HARVEST DATE

September 8 & 10, 2016

### BOTTLING DATE

December 7, 2017

### ALCOHOL

14.5%

### TA

0.57 g/100ml

### PH

3.44



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