



2001 RCF Merlot

Vineyard

- 6-acre Fisher Vineyard estate vineyard planted with Three Palms Merlot budwood and the Diamond Mountain clone of Cabernet Franc.
- Sandy, stony soils on the Silverado Trail just south of Calistoga
- Low yields of less than 3 tons/acre, producing ripe & flavorful berries with thick skins.

Production Notes

- Fruit is 100% de-stemmed, wholeberry fermentation
- Indigenous yeast fermentation, with extended maceration

Tasting Notes

The 2001 RCF Merlot is full of luscious cassis and blueberry fruit, ripe tannins, notes of bittersweet chocolate and sweet spice, all of which add complexity and richness to this bright, elegant Merlot. For those who have come to love the unique character of this bottling, you'll experience it in abundance in this classic 2001 vintage.