

"OLD VINES" MERLOT

Livermore Valley, 2019

DOUBLE GOLD

Livermore Valley Uncorked! 2022

Estate-grown, -bottled and -produced from our original vineyard block, affectionally called "Old Vines." The grapes were hand picked, and the vines tended through the growing season. The Kent family's gentle attention to detail in the vineyard, combined with Julian Halasz's masterful winemaking, creates a wine that reflects our true-to-terroir winemaking philosophy.

TASTING NOTE BY THE WINEMAKER & VINTNER Displaying a deep purple-ruby hue in the glass, the 2019 Old Vines Merlot immediately signals its richness and concentration. Winemaker Julian Halasz found "cedar," while vintner Darcie Kent noted "fresh blackberry, right off the vine." Julian continued in his notes, "[the 2019 is a] balanced, elegant, old vine Merlot that displays the typical character of the vineyard terroir." The depth of aromas is matched by the lush, velvety mouthfeel, soft, integrated tannins, and flavors of chocolate covered cherry, black pepper, and blueberry.

ALCOHOL 14.5% CASES PRODUCED: 213
PH 3.46 100% MERLOT FROM THE ESTATETA 6.4 g/L GROWN OLD VINES VINEYARD
RS 1.1 g/L AGED 21 MONTHS IN FRENCH OAK

"Celebrating art, wine & the natural world!"
-fifth generation vintner & artist Darcie Kent