



BLACK CLOVER MERLOT 2007 NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD:

All of the grapes for the 2007 Black Clover were grown in the southern third of the Napa Valley where the relatively cool temperatures allow for well-structured yet soft wines. The bright fruit character (red fruits), lower acidity and bigger tannins originate from the northern-most vineyards; and the dark fruits, higher acidity and softer tannins originate from the more southerly vineyards.

AROMAS:

Cherry, cassis, olive, dark chocolate, raspberry, integrated oak.

TASTE:

The wine begins full and round with mouth-filling tannins. Powerful, yet balanced, this wine is full of elegance and finesse, which carries through into a long finish.

WINEMAKING:

Hand-harvested / Small-lot fermentations / 4-day cold soak / Tailored extraction / Minimal manipulation / Blend of maceration times ranging from 14-21 days