

Marilyn Wines

Marilyn Merlot

2015 Marilyn Merlot

The 31ST Release

**DOUBLE GOLD Winner! 2018 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition
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Winemaker Notes:

The 2015 Marilyn Merlot is rich ruby wine with purple hues that immediately catch ones eyes as it is poured into the glass. The aromas exhibit good intensity with a complexity of cassis, blueberries, and hints of spice and earthy characteristics. This Merlot elegantly glides over the palate with a solid medium plus body, excellent, well balance structure with well integrated tannins. The flavours mimic the aromas with added nuances of tart cherries, vanilla, and a bright lingering finish. Very enjoyable now, but will age well for 4-7 years.

The Vineyards:

The backbone of this wine is from grapes from Andy Beckstoffer's Missouri Hopper vineyard with a supporting cast of vineyard sources in Napa Valley including Merlot from both the Rutherford and Howell Mountain appellations.

The Vintage:

One of the better years in the last 10. No rain from last spring until well after picking was finished, hence no need to pick early for fear of rain or to let hang for flavour, as both sugar and maturity were reached easily. Moderate temperatures throughout, with only a few heat spikes during the growing season.

Pairing:

Well made Merlots pair well with many foods
...almost any meal is better with Merlot.

Photograph:

Milton Greene photographed Marilyn at his New York studio on March 28, 1955, for LOOK magazine. The shoot included Marilyn glowing in her black robe, snuggling with a Pekinese dog.

Grapes: 100% Merlot

Sugar: 0.5 (dry)

Appellation: Napa Valley

pH: 3.52

Winemaker: Bob Pepi

Acid: 0.625g/100ml

SKU +491357 14.2% A/V 12 x 750ml
Wholesale: \$37.23 GLS Retail: \$44.99



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