

Windacre

Russian River Valley
Merlot



From a
single vineyard...
a singular Merlot.

2006

Sonoma County

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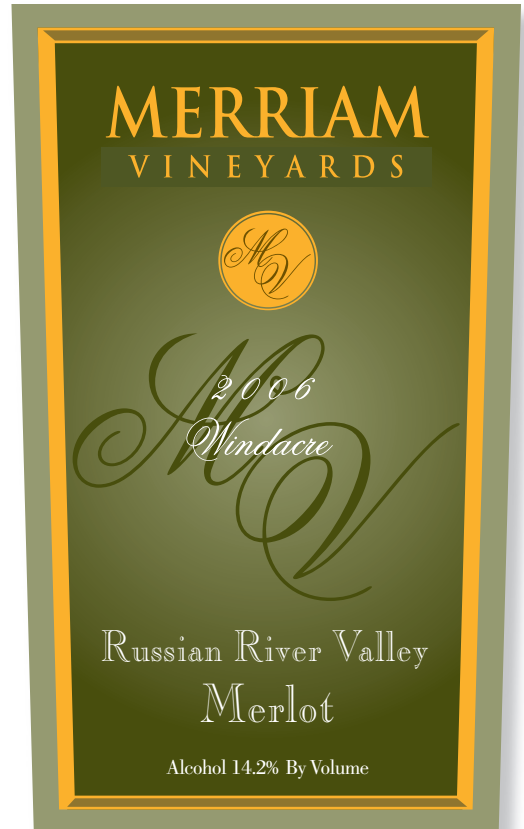
Windacre Vineyard is a single vineyard on the east edge of the Russian River Valley that experiences cool morning fog giving way to hot days and dropping temperatures in the evening. Windacre is a great Merlot grape growing vineyard, very similar in temperature and soil types to the Pomerol region of France where the most famous Merlots are made.

Windacre's 26 year old Merlot vines have been reduced to 1 ¾ acres. The new planting consists of four acres of Cabernet Sauvignon and two new acres of Merlot. Our .85 acres each of Cabernet Franc and Petite Verdot are now six years old.

Crop thinning continues to occur to ensure the best possible fruit at harvest. 1 ¾ - 2 tons per acre were produced from Windacre Vineyard.

Tasting Notes

Pleasing to the eye with its rich garnet color. Abundant aromas of raspberry, black cherry, cedar and cola. Upon tasting, flavors of ripe cherry and chocolate are enhanced by hints of vanilla, spice and cigar box notes. The wine's beautiful mouthfeel gives way to a lingering, fruity finish with medium tannins with a varietally true tasting experience. Enjoy!!!



Technical Notes

Varietal Composition:

- 90% "Windacre" Merlot
- 2% "Windacre" Petit Verdot
- 8% "Windacre" Cabernet Franc

Appellation: Russian River Valley

Alcohol: 14.2%

pH: 3.48

Brix (at harvest): 25.6°

Production: 215 cases