

CUDA RIDGE *Wines*

Winemakers Notes: **2012 Merlot**
 Livermore Valley

Description: Purple plum, Bing cherry, and chocolate aromas, On the palate you'll find plum, raspberry jam, cranberry, hints of leather and coffee. This well balanced Merlot has grippy tannins and a long lasting finish.

Varietals: 90% One Oak Vineyard Merlot, Livermore Valley
 8% Galles Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon, Livermore Valley
 2% Smith Ranch Vineyard Petit Verdot, Livermore Valley

Vineyard Notes: One Oak Vineyard is located in the Crane Ridge area located in Eastern side of Livermore off Greenville Road across from the Poppy Hill Golf Course. Crane Ridge is in the foothills with rolling hills which is sunny from morning until dusk and has moderate winds in the afternoon. The Merlot thrives from the hot days, cooling evenings, and significantly cooler nights. The trellis is Scott Henry which provides ample shading of the grapes.

Awards: Silver Medal – 2015 SF Chronicle Wine Competition

Cases Produced: 169 Cases

Barrel Treatment: Barrel aged for 18 months in 65% French Oak and 35% American Oak of which 38% is New French Oak.

Vital Statistics:

Al: 14.5% Alcohol by Volume

pH: 3.56

TA: .83

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