

## **Duckhorn Napa Valley 'Three Palms' Merlot**

COUNTRY	
United State	s

**REGION** California **GRAPE** 98% Merlot 2% Malbec **VINTAGE** 2020

## **ABOUT THE DOMAINE**

Co-founded by Dan and Margaret Duckhorn in 1976, Duckhorn Vineyards has indisputably established itself as one of the finest and most respected wine producers of the United-States. From its modest inaugural vintage of 800 cases of Cabernet Sauvignon and 800 cases of Merlot in 1978 to its addition of Sauvignon Blanc in 1982, Duckhorn Vineyards has crafted a tradition of quality and excellence that continues today under Head Winemaker Renée Ary.

## WINEMAKING

2020 brought another exceptional vintage to Napa Valley, ideal summer weather with no significant heat spikes ensured ideal flavour development, yielding refined reds with elegant tannins, enticing aromatics and beautiful fruit flavours. This wine has been aged for 18 months in 100% French oak, 75% new and 25% neutral.

## **TASTING NOTES**

The exceptional 2020 growing season produced a fascinating and elegantly full-bodied expression of Merlot at the famed Three Palms Vineyard. On the nose there are luxurious aromas of black plum, boysenberry and dark chocolate leap from the glass, followed by hints of sweet molasses and vanilla bean. On the palate, firm tannins and undercurrents of energetic acidity add brightness and poise to lush dark berry flavours, while promising a long life ahead.



**TECHNICAL NOTES** 

Alcohol by volume 14.5%

> Acidity 0.57 g/100 ml

> > **рН** 3.63