

PRIDE MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS

2012 MERLOT

"Exuberant" is the word that springs to mind when the cork on this wine is pulled. Swirling aromas of plum, raspberry, strawberry, sandalwood and cocoa powder immediately make their mark, followed by a palate bursting with fruit, and a full, round texture that balances density against liveliness through just the right amount of acidity. The finish is ripe and rich, with a lingering sensation of pleasing silky tannins. After a few cooler vintages that made delicious but more subdued Merlots, the 2012 is a return to a more expansive mouth-filling style that typifies warm, even growing seasons on our mountaintop.



PROFILE

Appellation:	51% Napa 49% Sonoma
Vintage:	2012
Harvest:	October 2012
Fermentation:	Stainless Steel
Cooperage:	French Oak
Blend:	92% Merlot 8% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol:	14.4%
Bottling:	April 2014
Production:	5350 cases
Release Date:	August 2014
Retail Price:	\$60.00