

# THEOREM

VINEYARDS



## 2023 MERLOT

**VARIETY:** 100% Merlot

**APPELLATION:** Diamond Mountain District AVA, Napa Valley

**CASES PRODUCED:** 143 (750ml), 4 (1.5L)

**VINEYARD:** Theorem Vineyards Estate, 0.95 acres

**CLONE:** 181

**VINEYARD PLANTED:** 2014

**ABV:** 14.3%

**WINEMAKER:** Andy Jones

**PROPRIETOR:** Jason & Kisha Itkin

**VINEYARD MANAGER:** Josh Clark

From a mere 0.95-acre parcel perched on a steep, north-facing slope, this Clone 181 Merlot reflects both intensity and elegance. Planted in 2014 with tight vine spacing, the site yields a wine of concentration, structure, and refined balance the hallmarks of the standout Napa Valley 2023 vintage.

The nose is plush and expressive, opening with notes of cola and clove layered over classic Merlot character. Floral tones of violet and rose petal add lift and perfume, while ruby toned red currants bring freshness and vibrancy to a beautifully aromatic profile.

Bright and well balanced, the palate reveals baking chocolate and red fruit framed by medium acidity and finely integrated tannins. A subtle flintlock nuance adds intrigue, while the wine's structure carries through to a long, lingering finish. Both polished and energetic, it shows immediate appeal with the depth for graceful aging.

A compelling expression of Napa Valley Merlot that marries richness with precision. This 2023 vintage stands out as a benchmark for the varietal. Elegant, age-worthy, and deeply reflective of its steep hillside origins.