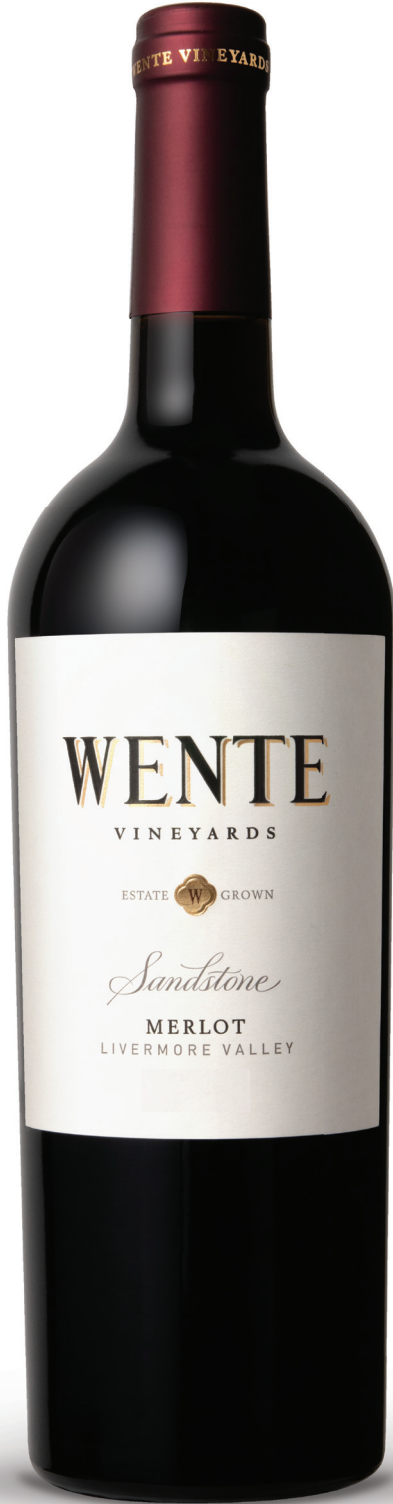


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VINEYARDS



Sandstone

MERLOT LIVERMORE VALLEY v 2018

ESTATE  GROWN

VINEYARD

Our Estate Grown Sandstone Merlot comes from a gently sloping formation of hills running along the southeastern corner of the historic Livermore Valley. With warm days, cool nights, well-drained sandstone soils, and incoming breezes from the San Francisco Bay, the Wente family's hillside vineyard is an ideal place to grow outstanding Merlot and Bordeaux varieties.

WINEMAKING

FERMENTATION

Varietals were fermented separately in upright stainless steel fermenters and pumped over 2-3 times daily.

Wine was pressed on the skins after 7-12 days.

AGING

Aged for 18 months in French and American oak barrels.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Pork loin, braised short ribs and lasagna.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2018 Sandstone Merlot has inviting notes of blackberry and pomegranate, with a hint of sandalwood. This delicious Merlot bursts with flavors of black cherry and plum, finishing with a nice lingering acidity and long finish.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION	ALCOHOL 13.5%	HARVEST DATE(S) 9/20-10/12
77% Merlot	PH 3.68	BRIX AT HARVEST 24.3
13% Petite Sirah	TA 0.59g/100ml	RELEASE DATE June 2020
5% Malbec		
5% Petit Verdot		

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