

EAGLE GLEN 2017 Merlot, Napa Valley



The 2017 Eagle Glen Merlot was harvested in Chiles Valley, Napa Valley. The Chiles Valley AVA is nestled in the Vaca Mountains above the northeast side of the Napa Valley.

TASTING NOTES

The 2017 Merlot has big tones, with hints of plum, black cherry, minerality and delicate anis notes, which helps provides a hint of the classic sweet, licorice flavor.

Composition: 92% Merlot 8% Tempranillo

Alcohol: 14.4% Oak Aging: 16 months in French oak, 20% new oak SRP: \$21

About Chiles AVA:

Climate: Fairly warmer summer days (mid-80°F plus/28.8 to 31°C), but due to higher elevation and summer fog at night, quite chilly at night (below 50°F/10°C). With colder winters and spring, as well as strong winds, harvest comes later than on valley floor.

Elevation: 600 to 1200 feet

Rainfall: 35 inches (88 cm) annually.

Soils: On the valley floor, primarily alluvial soils with silty-clay composition of marine origin, with good fertility. Hillsides show more clay-loam and stony-clay composition, mostly marine in origin, with some volcanic outcropping and less fertility.