

# Wine Spectator

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## Merryvale Profile Napa Valley 2021

Offers the vivid and alluring fruit of the vintage, showing lovely notes of mulberry, blackberry and cassis that are rich and stylish as they glide along, with hints of warmed anise, apple wood and violet. A cocoa accent adds a toasty edge to the finish, along with a late tug of warm earth, but the fruit wins out easily. Impressive. Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. Best from 2026 through 2038. 625 cases made.

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**Wine Type and Color**  
Red Still



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### Drinkability

Best from 2026 through 2038

### Primary Grape

#### Cabernet Sauvignon

Cabernet Sauvignon, native to Bordeaux, has thick blue skins, giving the resulting wines plentiful tannins and phenolics and making them particularly ageworthy. Over the past 50 years, Cabernet Sauvignon has spread to all of the New World's major winegrowing regions, and it remains one of France's most important grapes.

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### Other Grapes

Cabernet Franc

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### Region

California / Napa / Napa Valley

