



2001
NAPA VALLEY
Merlot

The **2001 Stonehedge Napa Valley Merlot** shows sweet toasty oak and hints of black cherry and currants in the top of the glass. The core of this wine centers around intense cassis and black cherry followed by layers of mint and cedar. Its well integrated tannins are complemented by toasty vanilla oak with a smoothly delicious lingering finish. Merlot grapes were grown exclusively on Napa's rocky mountain-top "**Stagecoach Vineyard**". This Merlot's intense fruit core makes this wine enjoyable even now, while its solid backbone of fine tannins will reward the patient collector with cellaring.

STATISTICS:

Varietals:		
	Merlot	97%
Blending varietals:		
	Cabernet Sauvignon	3%
Alcohol		14.1%
Cooperage		18 Months in French oak
Harvest Date:		September 7, 2003