



# CANYON OAKS

## MERLOT CALIFORNIA

For more than two decades, Canyon Oaks has produced deliciously ripe, quintessentially California-styled varietal wines drawn from the finest vineyards in the state's top growing regions. Our name is inspired by the dramatic Arroyo Seco Canyon, where our flagship vineyards are located, and by the majestic oak trees on our property, a symbol of vigor and resilience. As early wine pioneers in the region, we pay tribute to our roots with Canyon Oaks wines by honoring time-honored practices in the vineyards and winery, combined with an inventive approach to winemaking.

### WINEMAKING APPROACH

Our winemaking team, led by Christophe "Cris" Legrandjacques, selects the highest quality lots of wines that best exemplify characteristic California Merlot varietal grape flavors. These lots are then artfully blended into a final cuvée to create the signature Canyon Oak wine style from vintage to vintage.

Appellation: 100% California

### WINEMAKING

After harvest, the grapes were gently pressed and fermented in stainless steel under temperature-controlled conditions to preserve the crispness and ripe fruit flavors. The wine was aged in American Oak, and lightly fined and filtered prior to bottling.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES#

Stylish and fruit-driven, Canyon Oaks Merlot is loaded with black cherry and berry flavors, complimented by toasty oak notes and a soft, supple finish. Pair this wine with rich tomato-based sauces, pasta, or burgers.