



FLANAGAN

2019 MERLOT

Bennett Valley - Sonoma County



HARVEST DATE October 1st and 16th, 2019

pH 3.77

TA 5.45

ABV 14.8%

CASES PRODUCED 143

RELEASE DATE April 2022

PRODUCTION NOTES

The spring of 2019 was an exceptionally wet one with 20 days of rain in just the month of May. This helped limit fruit set and meant that the 2019 crop was much smaller than the massive 2018 Harvest. After the very rainy spring things settled down, and the rest of the growing season was ideal. The lack of late season rains or heat spikes meant that we were able to harvest without any drama. The fruit quality in 2019 was excellent.

Farming at the highest level, picking for balance, and making the wine with minimal intervention all contribute to what we believe is one of the top Merlots made in California.

TASTING NOTES

The 2019 Flanagan Merlot Sonoma County has compelling aromatic notes of Pomegranate, Rose hips, and Sandalwood. The palate has primarily red fruits like Red Currant, and Red Plum with a hint of Cedar spice. The wine has a very precise and well delineated mouth feel, great acidity, and very fine tannins. This is a beautifully built, balanced wine that will age gracefully for many years to come.