



JONATHAN EDWARDS  
WINERY

## 2010 Napa Valley Merlot

### Vineyard

Wood Ranch, Yountville, California. Located in the heart of Napa Valley, this vineyard is located optimally for ripening and production of Merlot.

### Production

The grapes were hand picked and fermented in Napa Valley California. After a 24 hour cold soak, the yeast was added and fermentation temperatures were maintained around 85 degrees. A pump-over regimen was used to maintain proper oxygen levels in the must and to ensure appropriate color and flavor extraction. Once pressed and settled, malo-lactic fermentation was initiated and the wine was transported to our Connecticut winery for aging. 18 months of barrel aging in a blend of French and American oak barrels allows for the concentration of the wine and integration of the spicy oak flavors.

### Tasting Notes

This robust but easy-drinking Merlot has a full bouquet of black cherries, tea-leaf, currents and tobacco. A long finish with soft tannins is to be expected.

### Technical Data

Alcohol		13.9%
pH		3.69
Acidity		5.4 g/L
Brix at harvest		23.8
Harvest Date		9/27/2010
Production		575 cases

