

2017 M.Coz Napa Valley Meritage Red Wine

Composition: 57% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Merlot, 14% Cabernet Franc, 13% Petit Verdot

Winemaking: Each lot was punch cap fermented and finished in barrel where it was aged, unracked. The blend was then moved into tank and left to rest and evolve for two months prior to an unfined bottling. Aged 38 months in French oak.

Tasting Notes: An intense, focused Meritage with a lineage dating back to the original 1988 vintage. A Bordeaux-like stony minerality and black fruit up front carry onto the palate with currants, a hint of black plum and spice. The power, elegance and precise balance and structure reveals layers of complexity and a long finish. This 2017 M. Coz will continue to evolve and complex in the bottle through at least 2035. Less than 200 cases were produced.

Special Note: 31 years after its 1988 vintage debut, winemaker Mitch Cosentino has continued his tradition of releasing this Meritage only when it equals or surpasses the world's greatest wines made from these red Bordeaux varietals. The 2017 M. Coz adheres to this tradition and was bottled by his pureCru Napa Valley Winery in extremely limited quantities from exceptional, hand selected lots. To maintain these standards, this is only the 24th release of this wine, which enables it to maintain its position among the great wines of the world.

Mitch Cosentino, Winemaker

