

Paris Valley Road Merlot

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: USA - CA

REGION: Central Coast

APPELLATION: Central Coast

CEPAGE: 95% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING: Aged in 20% new French Oak for 14 months

ANNUAL PRODUCTION: 492 cases

THE STORY

Named for the historic dirt road which houses its Chalk Knoll vineyard, Paris Valley Road is located just 35 miles from the Pacific Ocean on the southern Monterey coast. Their chalky soils and cool coastal climate offer a slowly ripened fruit, creating rich yet delicate, intensely aromatic wine.

BIOGRAPHY: In the 1990s, the Stoller family planted Chalk Knoll Vineyard. Craig and Nancy Stoller later founded The Craig Stoller Collection, home to Paris Valley Road Estate Winery. With a rich history on the Central Coast and a background in vine growing, they are dedicated to showcasing the winegrowing potential that California's Central Coast has to offer.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Juicy & Aromatic

AROMAS / FLAVORS: Blueberry, black cherry, cinnamon spice, plum, blackberry, cassis

MOUTHFEEL: Structured with sleek tannins

THE SELLING POINTS

A juicy Merlot with some Cab for structure

PAIRINGS: Caramelized squash dishes, shiitake & cheese crostinis

