

# Strata

**2000 Release**

## **Greetings from the Napa Valley!**

We are pleased to announce the release of our 2000 Strata Merlot. This marks the second vintage produced by Strata Vineyards. We feel that the uniqueness of the soil and the hands on grape growing and winemaking has once again given us an incredibly lush wine with great character.

## **Tasting Notes:**

Strata's 2000 Merlot has a fabulous extraction of flavor, color, and tannin. It carries a spicy nose of French oak, a balanced acidity, as well as ripe & rich revealing layers of vanilla and blueberries. The wine shows great depth and complexity while possessing the tannin backbone necessary for extended aging.

## **Winemaking Notes:**

- Grape Varietal: 100% Merlot
- Appellation: Napa Valley
- Harvest Date: September 8, 2000
- Grape Sugar: 24 degrees brix
- Time in Oak: 23 months
- Type of Oak: 50% new French 50% new American
- Wine Alcohol: 13.8%
- Cases Produced: 500 cases

**100% Merlot 100% Napa Valley**

Many thanks to all of you for contributing to the success of Strata. We are truly moved by all of the positive feedback and support. Our plan for the future is to continue making wine from grapes grown by us on our own property. We are dedicated to producing wines of uncompromising quality and distinction. This along with our hands on techniques will continue to produce a quality product for years to come.

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