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Crane Ridge

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Appellation: 97% Livermore Valley, San Francisco Bay
3% Arroyo Seco, Monterey

Varietal Content: 83% Merlot, 6% Barbera, 6% Petit Verdot
5% Sangiovese

Winemaker: Karl D. Wente
Alcohol: 14.0%
pH: 3.58
Total Acid: 0.52g/100ml

Origin: Crane Ridge is the gently sloping formation of hills running along the southeastern corner of the famous Livermore Valley. The Wente family's hillside Merlot vineyards deliver fully ripened fruit with exceptional depth of character.

Fermentation: This wine was fermented in stainless steel tanks.

Aging: Aged for 20 months in French, American, Eastern European, and neutral oak barrels.

Description: With a smooth mouthfeel and inviting tannins, this Merlot exhibits flavors of raspberry and strawberry, with hints of vanilla oak and caramel and a long, fruity finish.



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