



2012 Merlot

Organically Grown, CCOF
Sierra Foothills, CA

VARIETALS: 91% Merlot
6% Cabernet Sauvignon
3% Cabernet Franc

VINEYARDS: North Ponderosa Vineyards,
Sierra Foothills

WINEMAKER: Mark Burch
AGING: 14 months
35% New American Oak barrels
65% 2 yr. old French barrels

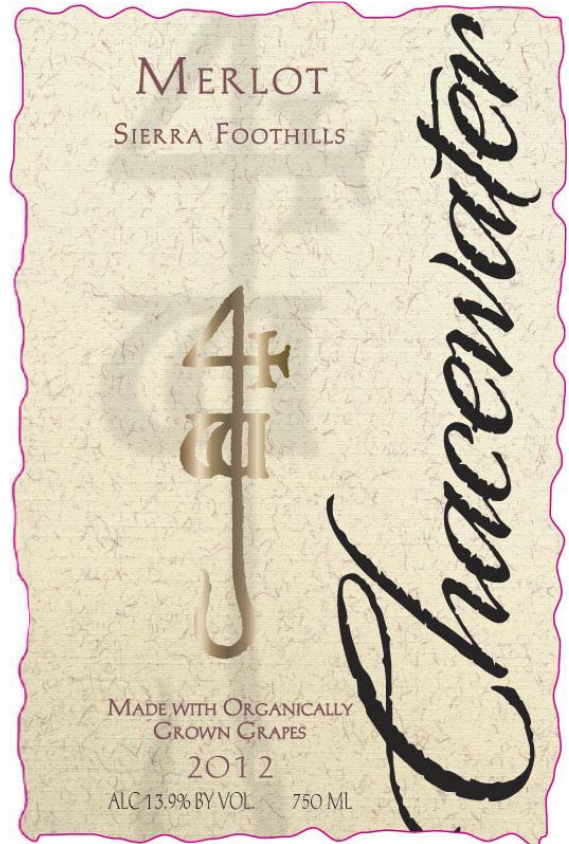
ANALYSIS:
TA- .58
PH- 3.39
ALC- 13.9%
RS- .33

PRODUCTION: 418 cases
BEST FROM: 2015-2020

2015
SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE
WINE COMPETITION



"WONDERFUL AROMAS OF PLUM,
BLACK OLIVE AND GREEN TEA
INTRODUCE THIS SMOOTH, JUICY
MERLOT."



North Ponderosa Vineyards

In 1989 a huge forest fire burned an entire ridge of Ponderosa pines in the Sierra Foothills. The Manuel family survived and managed to save their home, but their land was scorched. Afterwards, they consulted agriculture and viticulture experts and determined that a new life as an organic vineyard would be a wonderful way to start fresh and make use of the deep, well drained soils. The climate also proved an ideal combination of hot days and cool nights. The soil, a rich mix of ancient sediments, decom-