

# LUCCHESI

*Vineyards & Winery*

## WINE FACT SHEET

### 2006 MERLOT

**Harvested:** September 29 - October 12, 2006

**Blend:** 92% Merlot

5% Cabernet Sauvignon

3% Cabernet Franc

**Appellation:** Sierra Foothills

View Forever Vineyard

**Sugar at Harvest:** 24.5 °Brix

**Alcohol:** 14.2% by Volume

**pH:** 3.72

196 cases bottled August, 2008

#### Winemaking:

The grapes were hand harvested from our View Forever Vineyard Estate at optimal ripeness, then destemmed and fermented in small lots until dryness. The young wine finished malo-lactic in 30% new French oak barrels and matured for 21 months with quarterly racking.

#### Tasting Notes:

Dense garnet color precedes aromas of black cherries, spice, and toast. The palate is soft and supple with ripe fruit flavors complemented by fine tannin and long finish.

#### Food Pairing:

Try this wine with grilled flat iron steaks served with beet salad and baby arugula.

#### Awards:

**DOUBLE GOLD!** Best of Apellation

**GOLD AND BEST OF CLASS!** Amador County Fair

**SILVER!** San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition, and Calaveras County Fair

**BRONZE!** California State Fair

**Retail price:** \$18.00



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