



Uvada Wines Releases 2001 Vintage Merlot

St. Helena, CA (February 1, 2006) – Uvada Wines has just released the 2001 vintage of its Napa Valley Merlot, a wine that marries the excellence of Oakville appellation fruit with an Old World approach to winemaking.

Uvada means “bountiful harvest” in Spanish, and the wine itself is abundant in fruit flavors, with fine aromatics and a gentle texture – hallmarks of the harmonious winemaking style of many southern European wine producers.

The label art also suggests a richness of style. It is taken from a Spanish commercial poster from the late art deco period, most likely promoting a wine brand of the time.

Winemaker John McKay says of the 2001 vintage, “This is an excellent expression of one of the best growing seasons for Merlot that we’ve had in several years in the Napa Valley. There are aromas of black currant, luscious fruit on the palate and elegance in the finish.” The wine is a blend of 90 percent Merlot from Andy Beckstoffer’s “Vineyard X” and 10 percent Cabernet Sauvignon from the Yount Mill Vineyard in Oakville.

Only 965 cases of Uvada Merlot 2001 were produced. The wine can be purchased directly from Uvada Wines at UvadaWines.com, and is also available at the Cellar Door tasting room of the Napa Wine Company in Oakville.

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