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TRUCHARD

2009 Merlot

Carneros, Napa Valley (\$30)

truchardvineyards.com

A hint of mint plus a soupcon of blackberry mingle together in this standout merlot; the hefty does of cabernet franc adds a subtle floral tone to its final arrangement. It should be quite a great wine to pair with braised lamb, grilled steak, and pork spare ribs. This is very drinkable—and delicious—right now, but for those bottles destined for the cellar, I have a feeling that a couple of years down the line the '09 is going to rank in the “remarkable” category.



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