



## 2012 Arcturos Merlot

**Tasting Notes:** This limited production wine has delicious blackberry and plum flavors complemented by hints of oak and dark cocoa. The dark berry fruit, the broad yet refined use of oak, and the soft velvety texture of mild tannins leave a soft but lasting impression on the palate. In the cool climate of Northwest Michigan, Merlot is not as big of a wine that it can be in warmer regions, but instead emphasizes the more elegant aspects of this variety.

**Residual Sugar:** 0%

**Varietals:** 100% Merlot

**Vineyard Source:** Karma Vista, Nelson Rd, Smith, Stanton and Elm Valley vineyards

**Type of Oak :** American and Hungarian oak, a combination of new and used

**Time in Oak:** 12 months

**Malolactic Fermentation:** 100%



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