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## **2005 The Outlaw Merlot**

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The nose is packed with aromas of spicy vanilla, chocolate, mint, earth, tobacco and black cherry leading to deep black fruit, roasted herbs and sweet toasty oak on the palate. A fortuitous stroke of luck, this wine was almost never made. As fate would have it, our merlot made from Hedges Family Estate's vaunted North Block on Red Mountain has extra good power, depth and length, while retaining remarkable finesse. Enjoy now or cellar for up to 15 years. 25 cases produced.

Appellation:	Red Mountain
Harvest Date:	October 18, 2005
Varietal Composition:	100% Merlot
Barrel Aging:	18 months
Oak Composition:	50% new French Saury and Taransaud medium plus toast
Alcohol:	14.7%
PH:	3.71