“The 2017 J. Lohr Estates Los Osos Merlot is medium-dark in color with a mature red hue. Varietal aromas of black plum and violet meld with a barrel signature of hazelnut and brown baking spices, while the generous fraction of Malbec in the blend accentuates bright fruit tones and contributes a note of hibiscus flower. Firm tannins and lively acidity cascade to a lengthy red-fruit finish.”

—Steve Peck, director of winemaking

**FOOD PAIRINGS**
Delicious with summer grilled sausages or herb-roasted chicken.

**WINE LIST DESCRIPTION**
A generous fraction of Malbec in this Merlot blend accentuates red fruit and violet notes.

**COMPOSITION BLEND**
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**ORIGIN**
Paso Robles AVA, San Luis Obispo County, CA

**CELLARING**
Showing the most fruit upon release, with the potential to improve over the next five years.

**HOW DID LOS OSOS GET ITS NAME?**
This wine is named after the slightly heavier Los Osos Series soils in Paso Robles, which have proven to be the perfect home for growing lush and flavorful Merlot.

**ACCOLADES & REVIEWS**
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