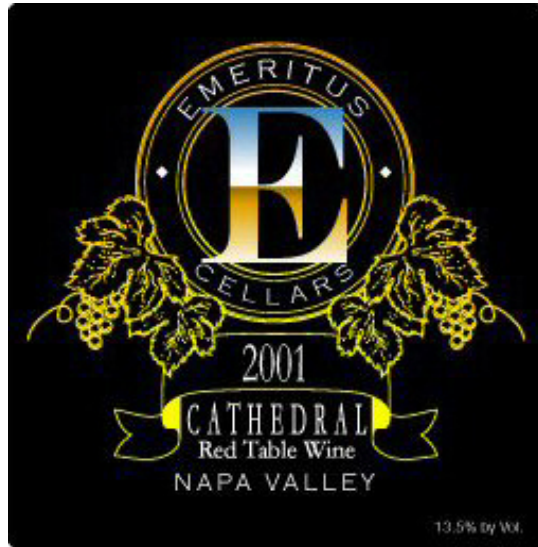




# Emeritus

## 2001 Cathedral



Emeritus Cellars is a **Napa Valley** star on the rise. It's limited production cabernet, merlot and "Cathedral" meritage enjoy the pick of fruit from the **Olive Hill vineyard** (not to be confused with the Sonoma vineyard of B.R. Cohn), which is perfectly situated at the foot of Napa's Mt. George. (It's combination of deep, alluvial soils – laced with volcanic ash and mineral deposits from the mountain above – recalls many of Europe's great grand crus.) As the only New York retailer to get an allocation of these "ultra-premium California reds" said, *"you must try these magical wines to believe how sensational they really are!"*

This is a truly serious California Meritage – with deep, rich, complex flavors, and a real capacity to age.

It is the magnificent, reserve-level "Cathedral" Meritage blend which is extra-special here. A blend of the very best lots of Emeritus' cabernet and merlot (**70% cabernet and 30% merlot**), that has an even more powerful structure than the cabernet. But it's so rich, opulent, lush and absolutely loaded with flavor, you hardly notice it. Now here's an example by California's **2001 vintage** at its best. Drinkable now for its extreme richness of fruit, but set for many years of positive evolution in bottle.

The name "Cathedral", by the way, refers to the atmosphere of this very special vineyard – with its peaceful solitude, Mt. George towering above it, and the brilliant luminosity in which its vines are bathed. This is a flat-out superb Napa meritage, and a brilliant example of this very special vineyard and vintage. It's hard to believe we can still offer a 2001 Napa Meritage of this caliber for so little. The production of this wine is extremely limited. Take advantage of it.