



HOUSE OF TOWNEND

FAMILY WINE MERCHANTS SINCE 1906

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## Longboard Merlot Dakine Vineyard 2022

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<b>Price</b>	£42.99
<b>Code</b>	LONG220

This Estate Merlot Block lies at the base of an east-facing hillside on Westside Road in Healdsburg. The original vines were planted in 1988, this cuvée is named DaKine, a Hawaiian-Creole term used to describe complex concepts like terroir.

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### Tasting Notes:

Aromas of blackcurrant, violet, and plum complement the dried herbs and wild fennel. The palate is generous and structured, with ripe tannins, dark chocolate notes, and a long, refined finish.

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Specification	
ABV	14.5%
Size	75cl
Drinking Window	Drink now through to 2030
Country	USA
Region	California
Area	Sonoma
Sub Area	Russian River Valley
Type	Red Wine
Grape Mix	89% Merlot, 11% Malbec
Genres	Fine Wine, Vegan, Vegetarian
Vintage	2022
Body	Rich, bold and robust
Producer	Longboard Vineyards
Producer Overview	Longboard was born from the passion of Oded Shakked, surfer first, winemaker later, who brings a unique perspective to winemaking, or rather winegrowing as he prefers to call it.
Closure Type	Cork
Food Matches	Aged in 100% French oak.
Press Comments	Wine Spectator, 2025, 92 points: "Handsomely structured and refined, with detailed flavours of cherry and red currant accented by pencil lead and tomato leaf tones as this builds toward fine-grained tannins."