



Royal Mama

GRAM'S BLEND

winemaker notes

Our inaugural Gram's Blend is a bold blend of the mighty Merlot and Malbec. Both varietals are well known, especially in Bordeaux-style reds, but they are rarely by themselves. The small appellation of Pomerol produces this type of acclaimed blend with regularity. The nose of Gram's Blend has fruity aromas of fresh strawberry, blackberry and black currant. The Merlot is from 2023 and features mature components such as toasted oak and tobacco. The mouthfeel reveals a complex structure which will develop and enrich with aging. This wine's young tannins will soften over time. There is a medium structure, a hint of cedar notes and a dry finish to this everyday sipper.

Appellation: California

Varietals: 88% Merlot | 12% Malbec

Alc: 13.8%

Released: April 2026

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About the Brand

Royal Mama is a tribute to all moms and women in our lives who may not wear a crown, but certainly deserve one.

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Nose: Strawberry | Blackberry | Black currant | Toasted oak | Tobacco | Cedar

Mouth: Warm attack | Young tannins | Medium intensity | Complex | Cedar



Serve: Room temp

Aging: 4 - 5 years

Pairs well with: Prime rib | Roast chicken | Pasta dishes with red sauce | Stuffed mushrooms | Frico chips | Aged Cheddar | Brie | Gruyère

Similar to: Fact Red and You Sexy Thing Ooh La La

Fun fact: The duo of Merlot and Malbec has proven popular and has developed outside of France in major regions like Argentina, South Africa and New Zealand.



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10
servings

10m
prep

20m
cook time

try with
dry reds

Lasagna Soup

Ingredients

1 pound lean ground beef
1 medium yellow onion, chopped
1 can (28 ounces) petite diced tomatoes, undrained
1 can (15 ounces) tomato sauce
1 teaspoon McCormick® Basil Leaves
1 teaspoon McCormick® Oregano Leaves
1 teaspoon McCormick® Garlic Powder
1/2 teaspoon McCormick® Onion Powder
3/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon McCormick® Pure Ground Black Pepper
1 container (32 ounces) chicken stock
8 ounces (about 10) lasagna noodles, broken into pieces
1 cup ricotta cheese, to serve
Shredded mozzarella cheese, to serve

Directions

Brown ground beef in a large saucepan on medium heat. Drain fat. Add onion; cook and stir 2 to 3 minutes or until softened.

Stir in tomatoes, tomato sauce, seasonings, salt, pepper and stock. Bring to boil. Add lasagna noodle pieces; cook 6 to 8 minutes or until noodles are tender.

Ladle soup into serving bowls. Top with a dollop of ricotta cheese and sprinkle with mozzarella cheese to serve.