



An Exceptional Estate-Grown Limited Production Merlot

2015 MERLOT

Estate, Mt. Veeder- Napa Valley

2015 is only our fourth vintage produced of Merlot, but it already has a major following of its own. The 2015 vintage produced exceptionally high quality fruit with very low yields, resulting in a particularly powerful, Cabernet-lover's Merlot. It opens by offering hints of rhubarb and sweet spice on the nose, followed by sophisticated and plush dark fruits and smooth tannins, leaving lingering notes of white pepper and dark chocolate on the finish. It is ready to drink now and will develop beautifully over the course of a meal or conversation.

Retail \$75



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Passion and Distinction Produces Exceptional Wines

With a passion for wine and a desire to produce small quantities of handcrafted wines from the most distinctive and promising vineyards in the Napa Valley, Proprietors Julie and Justin Arbuckle formed Anthem Winery in 2009. Anthem's guiding principle is simple- only the highest quality, from vine to bottle.

Crafting these wines is Winemaker, Jeff Ames. An explosive talent, Jeff has made some of California's most acclaimed wines from some of California's most notable vineyards. Estate Vineyard Manager is John Anthony Truchard. John brings a rare skillset as he is an experienced viticulturist, an expert vineyard manager, and personally familiar with Napa's top vineyards.

APPELLATION: Mt. Veeder, Napa Valley

WINEMAKER: Jeff Ames

VINEYARD: Planted in 1998

COMPOSITION: 99.2% Merlot, 0.7% Cabernet Sauvignon, .1% Petit Verdot

CLONE: C3

HARVEST DATE: Sept. 15, 2015

ROOTSTOCK: 3309

CROP YIELD: 1.2 tons/acre

OAK: 100% French, 100% new

AGING: 18 months in barrel, 17 months in bottle before release, unfiltered and unfiltered

PRODUCTION: 50cs

ALCOHOL: 15.6%



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