

An Intimate Estate-Grown Small Production Merlot

2014 **MERLOT**
Estate - Napa Valley

The 2014 Mt. Veeder Estate Merlot is the third vintage produced, exhibiting alluring aromas dominated by Bing cherries and dark chocolate. On the palate, red fruits are tangled with warm spices and herbal notes, tailing off into a smooth, rich finish.

Retail \$75

“Supple and generously spiced, with a latticework of red fruit, dried berry and appealing cola and green herbal flavors. The creamy finish lingers with notes of chocolate.” - J.L.

Wine Spectator - 91 points



Passion and Distinction Produces Exceptional Wines

With a passion for wine and a desire to produce small quantities of hand-crafted 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 skill set as he is an experienced viticulturist, an expert vineyard manager, and personally familiar with Napa's top vineyards.

APPELLATION: Mt. Veeder

WINEMAKER: Jeff Ames

VINEYARD: 22 acres estate, planted in 1998

COMPOSITION: 88% Merlot, 12% Cab Franc

CLONE: C3

HARVEST DATE: Sept. 18, 2014

CROP YIELD: 2.1 tons/acre

OAK: 100% French, 75% new

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

PRODUCTION: 110cs

ALCOHOL: 15.3%



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