

PRIDE MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS

2015 RESERVE CLARET

Our 2015 Reserve Claret exhibits a push-and-pull between its playful, fruit-forward personality and its equally stimulating dark, brooding side. Flavors of chocolate-covered cherries, ripe plum, mocha and perfectly-ripe blueberries are enhanced by a concentrated palate bursting with flavor and tannins.

The concept for our Reserve Claret is to make the most complex, symphonic wine possible from our estate, driven mostly by our intense mountain merlot but with a hefty dose of cab to add complexity and ageability. The merlot portion (60%) of this blend was harvested on October 1st and was fermented on its skins for 19 days. The cabernet portion (39%) was harvested on October 24th and was given an extended maceration, finally being pressed on December 30! A final 1% of petit verdot was added to bring floral notes, spice and a touch of acidity.



PROFILE

Appellation:	62% Sonoma 38% Napa
Vintage:	2015
Harvest:	October 2015
Fermentation:	Stainless Steel
Cooperage:	French Oak
Blend:	60% Merlot 39% Cabernet Sauvignon 1% Petit Verdot
Alcohol:	14.6%
Bottling:	August 2017
Production:	536 cases
Release Date:	March 2018
Retail Price:	\$145.00