



## SWEET CHEEKS WINERY & VINEYARD

Our passion is to create wines that reflect the beauty surrounding us in the Willamette Valley. We believe in producing exceptional wines through gentle processing.

Each vintage is unique and we invite you to experience it.

Established as a vineyard in 1978, the 55 acre estate vineyard sits on 140 acres of prime sloping hillside in the Southern Willamette Valley wine appellation.

## 2015 MERLOT

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The wine was destemmed, crushed and cold soaked for 5 days, then inoculated into a long cool fermentation (approx. 12 days). Following primary fermentation, the wine was pressed off and aged into French oak barrels, mostly new, for 9 months, completing malolactic fermentation. This medium bodied wine exhibits ripe aromas of blackberry, raspberry, plum, vanilla, with a hint of mocha. Our merlot pairs well with hearty tomato-based pasta, roasted duck, and lightly spiced meat.

### VINEYARD

Serra Vineyard, Applegate valley  
Gentry Vineyard, Applegate valley

### ANALYSIS PRODUCTION

RS: <0.2 | pH :3.41| TA : 6.5 | Alc. :13%  
695 Cases

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