



# COMSTOCK

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## 2015 Merlot / Dry Creek Valley / Sonoma County



Production:	224 cases
Bottled:	April 20, 2017
Alcohol:	14.7%
pH:	3.59
TA:	6.53 g/L
Appellation:	Dry Creek Valley AVA
Composition:	100% Comstock Wines Estate Vineyard
ML:	100% ML Conversion
Aging:	100% French Oak barrels (40% New)
Harvest Date:	September 21, 2015

### Winemaker Notes

The 2015 harvest can be described as: dry, early, light, but with exceptional quality fruit. We had less than half the average rainfall for the 2015 growing season, and harvested three weeks earlier, on average, than usual. In a couple of instances we picked an entire month earlier. Crop loads were down anywhere from 15% to 40%, however the quality of fruit was fantastic. Smaller berries and clusters yielded intense aromatics and flavors. This proved to be a great vintage for fruit characters in all varieties.

Harvested from the Comstock Wines Estate Vineyard, our *2015 Merlot / Dry Creek Valley* is our first vintage of this varietal. This delicious wine greets you with aromas of black currant, mocha, savory brown spice, clove vanilla crème, violet flower, and capsicum. A fruit forward attack carries through the smooth mid-palate with notes of black cherry, blackberry and cocoa. Rich and delicious, with great structure that leads into a long finish. This masculine wine lends itself to pair perfectly with a meaty lasagna or grilled rib-eye.

MSRP \$50/bottle