

Hawk and Horse  
Vineyards

## 2015 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

**Blend:** 84% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot, 6% Cabernet Franc

**Vineyard Notes:** Grown on our 18-acre estate mountain vineyard at elevations of up to 2,200 feet in rocky red volcanic soil. The vineyard is CCOF Organic and Demeter Biodynamic certified. On the ranch we pursue a true biodynamic "closed system," where biodynamic preparations are sourced primarily from our property. A picturesque aspect of this is our Scottish Highland cattle, which play an important role.

Lake County saw an early and slightly light 2015 harvest. A mild winter brought early bud break, followed by protracted bloom and unseasonably cool weather in spring contributing to small grape clusters with intense flavor and color profile. This hot, dry summer was the fourth year of drought which made the fruit from this vintage very concentrated and flavorful.

Harvest was September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Tonnage was lighter than usual; however, quality of this vintage is stellar. Two tons per acre.



**Winemaker's Notes:** Hand crafted in an old-world style. We use minimal intervention in the cellar to bring the highest expression of our Lake County Red Hills vineyard's terroir to every glass. Alcohol: 14.3%; Ph 3.55; Cooperage: Aged 23 months in 100% French oak (80% new); Production: 800 cases

**Tasting Notes:** The 2015 vintage of Cabernet Sauvignon embodies the ultimate expression of Hawk and Horse Vineyards. Fruity aromatics are distinct immediately upon opening and continue to evolve while the first impression stays long after you first inhale. On the palate, the wine is juicy and well balanced showcasing mature red and dark fruits with a long finish that has notes of tobacco and leather.



### Accolades

90 Points, *Wine Enthusiast*

93 Points, *The Tasting Panel*

91 Points, Gold, *Sunset Int'l Wine Competition*

94 Points, *Critics Challenge Int'l Wine Comp*

91 Points *Terroirist*



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