



DeLILLE CELLARS

# MERLOT

YAKIMA VALLEY

BORDEAUX STYLE

RHÔNE STYLE

GRAND CIEL

WC EXCLUSIVE

**2015** Exhibiting an extraordinary dark color for 100% Merlot, the **VINTAGE** 2015 vintage opens up with breathing, showing aromas of cranberry, cherry and dark cocoa. There are also subtle oak nuances lifting to a floral bouquet of rose petals. Powerful and expanding, this wine offers plenty of savory flavors to balance pleasant fruit, with thyme and oil-cured black olive dancing with red currant and cassis.

## VARIETAL



■ 100% Merlot

## WINEMAKING

Cold soaked for 24-36 hours. Fermented on skin 12-14 days. Individual lots aged separately for 12 months before barrel selected for the blend, followed by 6 months additional aging prior to bottling. 60% new French oak. 14.3% Alcohol

## VINEYARD

25% DuBrul Vineyard  
25% Klipsun Vineyard  
25% Red Willow Vineyard  
25% Upchurch Vineyard



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“The 2015 Merlot is outstanding, with a concentrated, rich style and classic notes of black cherries, dark chocolate, scorched earth, and tobacco. It’s deep, medium to full-bodied, has beautiful fruit, and a great finish. It’s certainly approachable today but will be even better with a year in bottle and keep for a decade.”

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