

MERITAGE NEW RELEASE 2018 VINTAGE

THE ORIGINAL MERITAGE BLEND.

FIRST OF ITS KIND.

- In the 1980s, Founder David Stare and a group of California winemakers came together to create a classification for American wines blended in the Bordeaux tradition.
- With the 1985 vintage, Dry Creek Vineyard was the original winery to use the term "Meritage"—a combination of the "merit" of the grapes and the "heritage" of the blending tradition—on a wine label.

RIGHT BANK INSPIRED.

- A luxurious blend of the five Bordeaux varietals, primarily focused on Merlot with an accent of Cabernet Franc.
- Blend: 63% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Franc, 12% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Malbec, 4% Petit Verdot

NO PLACE LIKE HOME.

- Dry Creek Valley has the ideal topography for exceptional Bordeaux varietals with steep hillside and benchland vineyards that produce intensely flavored grapes.
- High iron content in the soil produces wines with bright red cherry fruit and dried floral aromatics, along with an earthy complexity.



Watch President Kim Stare Wallace and Winemaker Tim Bell discuss the history of Meritage wine.







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DRY CREEK VALLEY RED WINE

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ALC 14 5%/VOL