# THORAN 2015 NAPA VALLEY MERLOT

## THE PRISONER WINE COMPANY

Our winemaking team works with a family of growers to source a diverse variety of grapes from premier vineyards throughout California. The resulting wines are interesting blends of distinct quality and character.

# **ABOUT THE WINE**

While working with our growers in Napa Valley, we came across small, premium vineyard lots of Merlot, which served as our inspiration to create Thorn. The Merlot was blended with Syrah to create depth in the body while Malbec accentuates the fruit.

#### WINEMAKER NOTES

Earthy aromas open up into cocoa, blackberry, cedar, and anise. The entry is smooth with flavors of cherry, chocolate, vanilla, and a mild toastiness. The finish is long with balanced acidity.

## THE BLEND

81% Merlot; 19% Blend of Syrah, Petite Sirah, and Malbec

# AGING

A combination of French and Hungarian oak barrels, 30% new



