



## 2015 HellHound Red

**Big and Bold is the Goal.** HellHound is winemaker Brenda Lynch's chance to craft a big, bold, full bodied red wine. At its core is ripe and delicious Cabernet Sauvignon from the Perotti Vineyard in Dry Creek Valley. In 2015, Brenda added Cabernet Franc to complete her blend. In this vintage, Cabernet Sauvignon contributes plush ripe tannins and deep, dark fruit character. Cabernet Franc provides savory flavors and mouthwatering acidity. The two grapes combined produce an exceptional red wine.

### 2014 Vintage

Double Gold - Sonoma County Harvest Fair  
Silver - Orange County Fair Wine Competition

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### Brenda's Winemaking

HellHound gives me the ability each and every year to make a full flavored red wine based on Cabernet Sauvignon from one of my favorite vineyards, the Perotti Vineyard in Dry Creek Valley. I've been sourcing this Cabernet Sauvignon from this vineyard block since 2002, so I know the fruit very well.

In 2015, I was able to secure a small amount of Cabernet Franc from the Frediani Vineyard in Napa Valley and I co-fermented (in the same fermentation tank) the two grapes together. It was love at first sight! The Cabernet Franc added flavors and acidity that complemented my Cabernet Sauvignon. The wine went straight into used French oak for barrel aging and softening before bottling. The 2015 vintage demonstrates the ability of two grapes to combine into something better than the two individual parts.

- Brenda Lynch

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### Tasting Notes

HellHound is by far our deepest, darkest red wine. The 2015 vintage is intense in aroma and flavor and full-bodied and mouth-filling in character. Black berry fruit, hints of herbs typical of Cabernet Sauvignon, a touch of savory flavor from Cabernet Franc, plush and ripe tannins in the finish. Hellhound begs for grilled red meat. Picture a bone in ribeye steak with an ancho chile - coffee spice rub.



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### Information

Vintage:	2015
Appellation:	Sonoma County
Alcohol:	14.5%
Produced:	129 Cases
UPC:	8 50432 0000 2



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