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2015 Sonoma Valley **MERLOT**

About the Winery

Bonneau Winery is operated by the third generation of Bonneaus with family history dating back to the early 1920s in the Sonoma - Los Carneros appellation. The Bonneaus originally came to America from the vineyard lands near Tarn, France. In 1920 they began farming a 70 acre parcel of land just south of the town of Sonoma. In 1988 their daughter, Yvonne, began growing and providing Chardonnay grapes to several well-known wineries in both Sonoma and Napa. The family launched its own label in 2002.

In addition to our own grapes, Bonneau sources its red and white grape varieties from top vineyards in Sonoma, Napa and other prime areas throughout California. Winery operations take place in the town of Sonoma where grapes are crushed, fermented and wines aged. John Bambury, August & Catherine Bonneau's grandson, is Director of Winemaking and handles all the winemaking responsibilities.

About the Label

The Egret brand honors the Great White Egrets that frequent most of our vineyards. These magnificent birds were hunted to near extinction in North America by the beginning of the 20th century for their pure white plumes. Populations have recovered since the birds were protected by law. The Great Egret is now the symbol of the National Audubon Society.

Egret Wines is the proud sponsor of Audubon California. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of each bottle goes to the organization.

Composition:	100% Merlot
Appellation:	Sonoma Valley
Harvested:	October 02, 2015
Alcohol:	13.9%
Aged:	8 Months
Production:	312 cases
Vintner:	John Bambury

Tasting Notes:

Our Egret Merlot is a fresh and delightful wine that is loaded with fruit. Cherries are predominant with pomegranate, black raspberry, and spice. Toasty oak with a touch of smoke adds complexity to the wine. Its moderate tannins, balanced acidity and fruit will pair nicely with grilled meats and rich lamb dishes.