

# **Llano Estacado Winery**

## **Winemaker's Notes**

**Vegan friendly**  
**Gluten Free**



VARIETY:	<b>2016 Meritage Red Blend</b>
Appellation:	Texas
ALCOHOL:	13.6
pH:	3.78
ACIDITY:	6.1 g/L (as Tartaric acid)
RESIDUAL SUGAR:	0.20% (dry)
OAKING:	Aged with 40% new French oak from Nadalie and Canton cooperage.
UPC NUMBER: 0-88596-11607-7	TIES/PALLET: 5
750ML BOTTLES/CASE: 12	CASES/TIE: 15
CASES/PALLET: 75	WEIGHT LBS/CS: 33.0

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Llano Estacado Meritage Red blend has the distinction of being accepted into the prestigious American Meritage Association. Meritage wines are provocative wines crafted solely from specific "noble" Bordeaux grape varieties, and recognizes the centuries-old tradition of blending, long considered to be the highest form of the winemaker's art.

The 2016 Meritage Red is a blend of predominately Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Petit Verdot. The wines were fermented separately and blended after completion of Malolactic fermentation in the spring of 2017. In order to enhance its fruit forward aromatics and to add complexity, the blend was aged with 40% new, French oak until it was bottled in October of 2017. Enjoy with your favorite cut of steak, grilled pork chops, or perhaps a wedge of aged cheddar.

Serve at a cool room temperature of 65 F.