# CEGENCY WINES NEVADA, INC. One Destination to Worldwide Boutique Wines

## California

Mendocino

## **Bliss Family Vineyard**

# Merlot





### The History

Brutocao Family Vineyard Heritage is a tale of two families who combined their passion and expertise to establish one of Mendocino County's most notable wineries. In 1910, the Brutocao family brought with them a love for wine when they emigrated from Treviso, Italy (a small town near Venice). Len Brutocao met Martha Bliss while attending the University of California, Berkeley. Martha's father, Irv, had been farming in Mendocino since 1943. After Len and Martha married, the families joined forces and continued to sell their grapes to well-known Sonoma and Napa wineries for many years before starting to make their own wine in 1980. They selected the Lion of St. Mark as their symbol of family tradition and quality. The heart of that quality is in their land: over 400 acres of vineyards in Hopland and 12.5 acres of Pinot Noir in Anderson Valley.



#### The Grape

100% Merlot

#### **Tasting Note**

With aromas of coffee, tobacco leaf, and dark plums, this Estate Merlot has flavors of bright blackberries which are complemented by hints of dark chocolate in the finish. Food Pairings: Versatile enough to pair with everything from white to red meats. Perfect with braised chicken thighs, char-grilled sirloin, or enjoying a glass on its own