



GENERAL INFORMATION

Proprietors	Julie and Justin Arbuckle
Winemaker	Jeff Ames
Estate Vineyard Manager	John Anthony Truchard
Founded	2009
Location	3454 Redwood Road., Napa, CA 94558
Sustainability	Napa Green certified vineyard, Fish Friendly Farming certified
Vineyard Sources	Anthem Estate Vineyards, Riverbound Vineyard, Beckstoffer Las Piedras Vineyard
Wines produced	Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot
Affiliations	Napa Valley Vintners, Mt. Veeder AVA Council

OVERVIEW

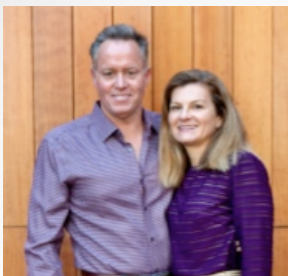
With a passion for wine and a desire to produce small quantities of handcrafted wines from the most distinctive and promising vineyards in the Napa Valley, Proprietors Julie and Justin Arbuckle formed Anthem Winery in 2009. Anthem's guiding principal is simple: only the highest quality, from vine to bottle.

WINES

Sauvignon Blanc Riverbound Vineyard Yountville Napa Valley (\$55, 750ml)
Merlot Estate Vineyard Mt. Veeder (\$80, 750ml)
Cabernet Sauvignon Estate Vineyard Mt. Veeder (\$125, 750ml)
Beckstoffer Las Piedras Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon (\$138, 750ml)

THE PEOPLE

PROPRIETORS| **Julie and Justin Arbuckle**



With a passion for wine and a desire to produce small quantities of handcrafted wines from the most distinctive and promising vineyard in the Napa Valley, Julie and Justin formed Anthem Winery in 2009. An attorney by background, Julie conducted a scorched-earth search for a winemaker, and wound up hiring the first one to respond – Jeff Ames – as he set the bar extremely high. Julie and Justin have grown Anthem Winery since its inaugural 2009 vintage, always increasing its sustainability along the way.

WINEMAKER| **Jeff Ames**



Raised in Alabama, Jeff fell in love with wine while working at a small wine shop during his senior year of college and soon made his way to Oregon and completed his first harvest with Penner-Ash and moved to the Napa Valley shortly after. He became the Assistant Winemaker under Thomas Brown on projects including: Schrader, Mayback, Outpost, and TOR. In 2003, he took over as Head Winemaker for TOR. In 2009 he started at Anthem Winery and has been making ultra-premium Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Sauvignon Blanc for Anthem ever since.

“In just over a decade, Ames has become one of Napa’s rising stars.” - Wine Spectator

VINEYARD MANAGER| **John Anthony Truchard**



After graduating from UC Davis, John began a small vineyard management business and began farming for others who were focused on small-lot, high quality wine growing. Today, John manages roughly 25 small, high-end vineyards and is honored to work with some of the best winemakers in the Napa Valley. An accomplished vintner in his own right, John also owns and operates John Anthony Vineyards and JAM Cellars. John has been managing Anthem Winery’s Estate Vineyards since 2007 when he helped Anthem plant 5 acres of Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, and Petit Verdot in addition to the existing Merlot vineyard.

MT. VEEDER

The Mount Veeder AVA in Napa Valley is a one-of-a-kind appellation, with the highest elevations in the Valley of up to 2,400 feet. It is located in Napa Valley, west of Napa and Yountville, in the Mayacamas mountain range. It has one of the most extreme and rugged growing conditions, demanding limited use of machinery and relying on nearly all vineyard work to be done by hand.

The steep and winding slopes induce stress into the vines, resulting in wines displaying pronounced depth, complexity, and intensity. It is also a place of natural beauty, home to many kinds of birds, deer, mountain lions, and other wild animals that roam the mountain, allowing for “wildlife corridors” through many of the vineyards.

Cool daytime temperatures lengthen the growing season, making Mount Veeder the last to harvest in Napa Valley. These temperatures allow grapes to grow slowly, evenly, and using the whole growing season to reach full maturity. Thus, resulting in finely balanced, deeply concentrated, ageworthy wines.

The total area of Mt. Veeder is 16,000 square acres, with only 1,000 acres planted under grape vine, with 64% planted specifically to Cabernet Sauvignon.



2019 Sauvignon Blanc

Riverbound Vineyard
Yountville, Napa Valley
200cs produced

The Vineyard

The Riverbound Vineyard is owned by the Tom Gamble and located in the northern part of the esteemed Yountville AVA. Planted only to Sauvignon Blanc and Semillon, it holds certifications as Sustainable, Fish Friendly Farming, and Napa Green.

Winemaking

This wine is barrel fermented and spends 10 months in 100% French oak barrels (50% new), while undergoing complete malolactic fermentation to reduce harsh acidity and promote a delicate texture. It is filtered to remove sediment and unfinned to preserve its natural flavors. It spends 10 months in bottle before release to allow the wine to settle.

Winemaker Tasting Notes

“This Sauvignon Blanc opens with alluring notes of vanilla and honeysuckle on the nose, leading way to an opulent and creamy palate, with notes of melon, mineral, and lemon merengue, with a long and delicate finish.” –Jeff Ames, *Winemaker*

What the Critics Say

“This structured white was barrel fermented in French oak, half of it new, and then given additional richness and layering through malolactic fermentation. With a small amount of semillon, it presents as viscous and complex, with a depth of melon, toasted oak, and vanilla.” –Virginie Boone, [Wine Enthusiast Magazine, 92pts](#)



2018 Merlot

Anthem Estate Vineyard
Mt. Veeder, Napa Valley
55cs produced

The Vineyard

The Anthem estate vineyard is located at 400-foot elevation in Napa's western hillsides, in the renown Mt. Veeder AVA. With just six acres under vine, the vineyard produces Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, and Petit Verdot. Manual cluster thinning down to only one cluster per shoot allows each vine to achieve perfect balance and each cluster to achieve perfect ripeness

Winemaking

This wine is whole berry fermented, while undergoing primary maloactic fermentation with wild yeast. It spends 18 months in 100% French oak (100% new oak) and an additional 17 months in bottle before release, to allow the tannins time to settle and soften. It is unfinned to preserve its natural flavors and unfiltered to preserve its deep, rich color.

What the Critics Say

"The 2018 Anthem Mount Veeder Estate Merlot begins with inviting aromas of cherries, plums and blueberries which are joined by exotic spices, wild herbs, cigar box and cocoa all taking shape. The palate is medium-plus bodied and well-structured with grainy tannins. It possesses a bright core that bursts with flavors of bing cherries and blackberries as it shows a level of restraint through the finish. Overall, this is a lovely showing which I expect will develop beautifully in bottle over the next few years and go on to offer a drinking window that spans nearly two decades."

- **International Wine Report**— 92 points



2016 Cabernet Sauvignon

Anthem Estate Vineyard

Mt. Veeder, Napa Valley

900cs produced

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Winemaking

This wine is whole berry fermented, while undergoing primary maloactic fermentation with wild yeast. It spends 18 months in 100% French oak (100% new oak) and an additional 27 months in bottle before release, to allow the tannins to settle and soften. It is unfinned to preserve its natural flavors and unfiltered to preserve its deep, rich color.

What the Critics Say

"The 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Estate is a blend of 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Cabernet Franc and 7% Petit Verdot. Deep garnet-purple in color, is offers up scents of crème de cassis, blueberry compote and Christmas cake with an undercurrent of plum preserves, camphor and cigar box. Big, rich and full-bodied on the palate, it delivers impactful, maturing black fruit and spicy flavors, supported by firm, grainy tannins and just enough freshness, finishing with great length."

–Lisa Perotti-Brown, **Wine Advocate**, 93pts



2017 Cabernet Sauvignon

Beckstoffer Las Piedras Vineyard

St. Helena, Napa Valley

185cs produced

The Vineyard

Andy Beckstoffer's Las Piedras Vineyard is one of his six heritage vineyards in the Napa Valley. It has been under vine for over 150 years, with roots tracing back to Mexican land grants. This 22-acre vineyard produces only Cabernet Sauvignon and is located at the foot of Spring Mountain, in the St. Helena AVA. The vineyard takes its name from the gravelly river washed soil, as Las Piedras translates to *"little pebbles"*, in Spanish.

Winemaking

This wine is whole berry fermented, while undergoing primary maloactic fermentation with wild yeast. It spends 18 months in 100% French oak (100% new oak) and an additional 20 months in bottle before release, to allow the tannins time to settle and soften. It is unfinned to preserve its natural flavors and unfiltered to preserve its deep, rich color.

What the Critics Say

"Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Las Piedras Vineyard is a little youthfully mute to begin, soon unfurling to offer pronounced notes of baked black plums, Black Forest cake and crème de cassis with hints of incense, dusty soil and Indian spice with a waft of fruitcake. Big, rich and hedonic in the full-bodied mouth, it has velvety tannins and appealing freshness lifting the spicy black fruit preserves, finishing long and fragrant."- **The Wine Advocate**— 94 points



PACKAGING

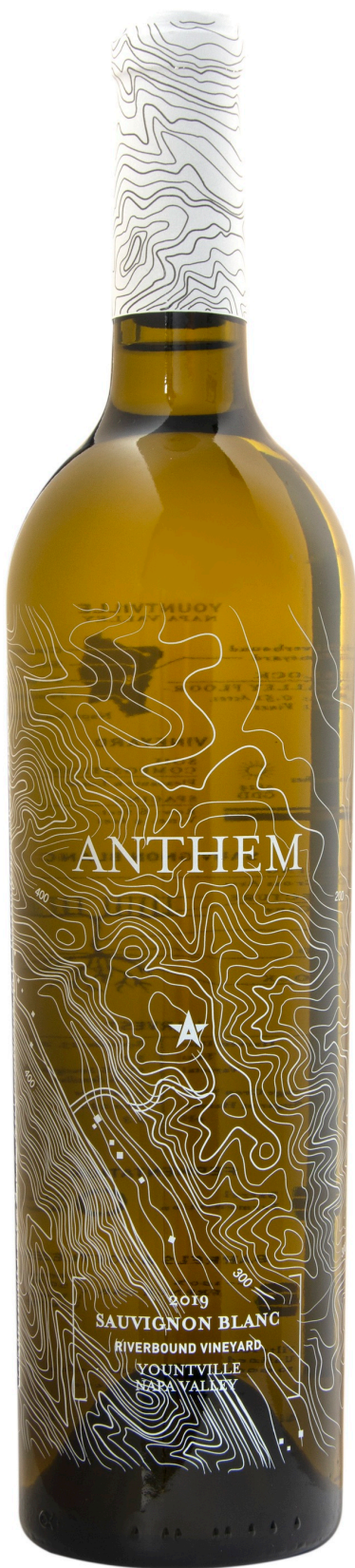
John Schall is the talented Graphic Artist behind Anthem's unique and detailed packaging. The front of the bottles feature a silk-screened topographic map of Mt. Veeder, with the star indicating where the Anthem estate vineyard is located.

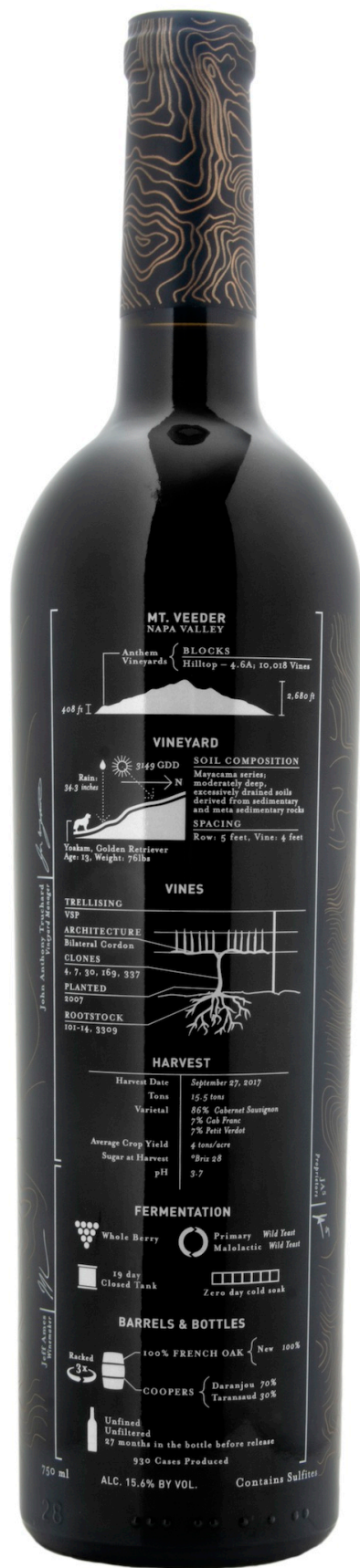
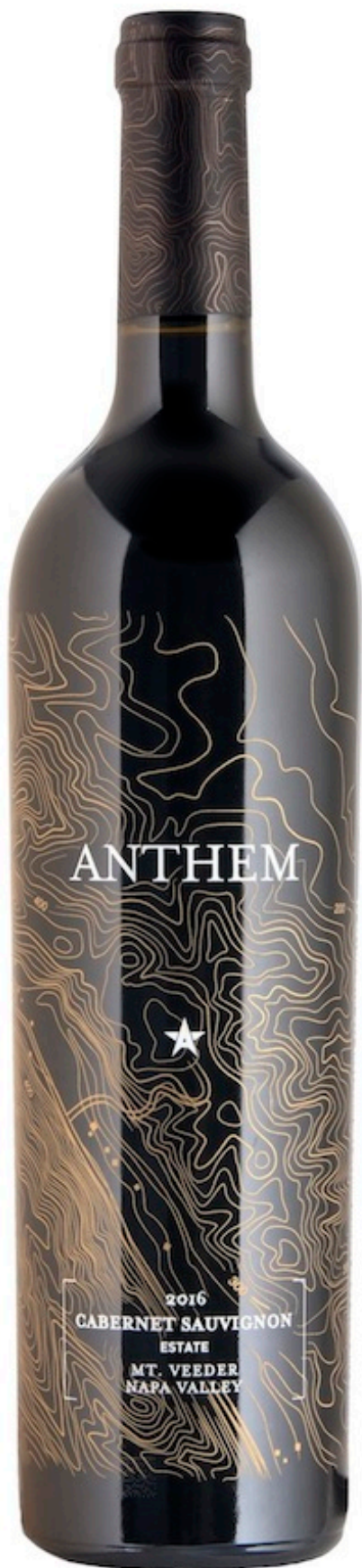
A topographic map indicates the shape of the land, allowing one to visualize the terrain. Each contour line indicates the level of steepness. Contour lines that are close together indicate elevation is changing rapidly and when they are further spread apart, elevation is changing slowly. The maps display the steep and winding slopes of Mt. Veeder.

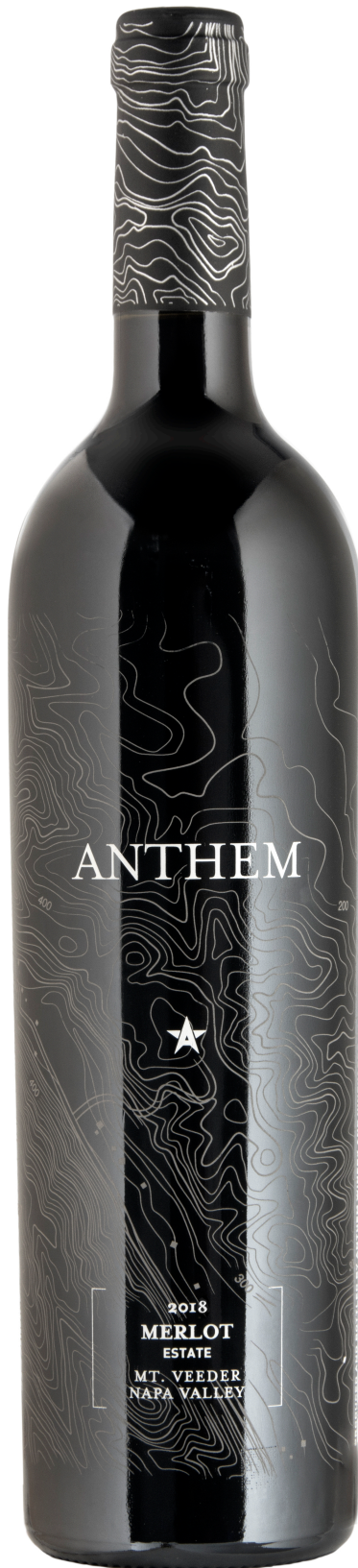
The back of the bottles depict every step and decision made in producing ultra-premium quality wine, taken right off of our Winemaker and Vineyard Mangers notebooks. The idea behind this was to showcase the care and attention that goes into every step, from vineyard management, through to the finished product, without a single detail left out.

Personalized touches are represented by Julie and Justin's signature as "JA⁵" (including their three children, also with JA initials), Jeff Ames signature, and John Anthony Truchard's signature on the estate wines. A small image of the family's Golden Retriever, Yokum, is even displayed on the estate bottles under the vineyard detail.











ACCOLADES

Mt. Veeder Estate Merlot	2016	93pts	Wine Spectator
Beckstoffer Las Piedras Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	94pts	Wine Advocate
Beckstoffer Las Piedras Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	91pts	Wine Spectator
Beckstoffer Las Piedras Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	94pts	Jeb Dunnuck
Mt. Veeder Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	93pts	Wine Spectator
Mt. Veeder Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	94pts	Wine Enthusiast
Mt. Veeder Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2016	93pts	Wine Advocate
Carsi Ranch Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc	2017	90pts	Wine Advocate
Carsi Ranch Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc	2017	92pts	Wine Spectator
Carsi Ranch Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc	2017	90pts	Jeb Dunnuck
Beckstoffer Las Piedras Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	94pts	Wine Advocate
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Mt. Veeder Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2017	91pts	Wine & Spirits Magazine
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Beckstoffer Las Piedras Cabernet Sauvignon	2018	95pts	Wine & Spirits Magazine
Beckstoffer Las Piedras Cabernet Sauvignon	2018	95pts	International Wine Report
Mt. Veeder Estate Merlot	2018	92pts	International Wine Report
Riverbound Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc	2019	92pts	Wine Enthusiast

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