

# AUBICHON *Cellars*

*Meticulous, hand-crafted, time-inefficient Willamette Valley winemaking by Jim Sanders since 2007. Sourced only from select vineyard sites, Aubichon features distinguished small-production Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, and Alsatian-style Pinot Gris from all AVAs of the Willamette Valley. In a word, Aubichon wines are "artisanal" ...if there is an easy way to do something, chances are we didn't do it that way.*

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## 2016 Aubichon Cellars Reserve Grenache



Aubichon Reserve Grenache is sourced from a single vineyard within The Rocks District of Milton-Freewater AVA - a highly coveted hillside region on the Oregon side of the state border running through the Walla Walla Valley. At harvest, we set out with the goal of making an elegant Grenache, complimentary to our production of Pinot Noir, by picking the fruit early with lower brix and a slightly higher acidity. Barrel ageing followed in all neutral French oak for 22 months. The final character of floral black tea and cranberry shows the beauty of what this unique, rocky AVA can yield when seen through the eyes of a Willamette Valley producer.

Jim Sanders is the winemaker and a founding partner in Aubichon Cellars. Jim focuses on small production, hand-crafted wines, aged exclusively in top-tier French oak from the finest cooperages in Burgundy. Through two decades in the Willamette Valley, Jim's winemaking portfolio features some of Oregon's most acclaimed wines, including several cuvees of highly rated Pinot Noir from Le Cadeau Vineyard.

**PRODUCTION**

67 cases

**WINEMAKER**

Jim Sanders

**AVA**

The Rocks District of Milton-Freewater AVA

**VINEYARD**

Rivière Galets Vineyard

**BARREL AGING**

22 months, neutral French oak

**ALC BY VOL**

13.1%