

2014 Sauvignon Blanc Napa Valley

Technical Data:

Cases Produced:

650

Vineyard:

37% Lambentz (Pope Valley) 42% Frediani (Calistoga) 21% Massa (Yountville) 100% Napa Valley

Treatment:

100% Stainless Steel Fermentation No Malolactic Fermentation

Alcohol: 14.3%

Release Date: 31 March 2015

Retail Price: \$20.00

Tasting Notes:

Our wine has aromas of lime, pear, white flowers, green apple, and honeydew melon. It has a crisp clean acidity and refreshing lemon, kiwi, cucumber, apple, floral and exotic fruit flavors. It finishes with a refreshing minerality and flavors of citrus blossom. The natural acidity brings the full texture of this wine into perfect balance. A portion of the fruit came from the Musque clone of Sauvignon Blanc which brings a lot of the floral elements to the wine.

<u>Aging:</u>

The wine was fermented and aged in 100% stainless steel tanks and drums. Following fermentation, the wine was racked off its heavy lees to help preserve the vibrancy of the fruit aromatics and flavors. The wine spent 3 months in tank before it is pulled out, blended, and bottled in mid January of 2015. Our preference is to drink this wine in its youth to capture the true essence and vitality of the vintage. We don't age the wine in the cellar for very long since it doesn't need it. So drink it now!

<u>Winemaking:</u>

The fruit was hand harvested and whole cluster pressed directly after picking and fermented in stainless steel tanks. The tank was chilled down to 50F so that the juice would undergo a cool, slow, and steady fermentation. All of this was done in an effort to preserve the beautiful floral and citrus flavors. The finished wine was then racked off of the lees and prevented from undergoing malolactic fermentation. We limit the wines exposure to oxygen and bottle in early January to harness the crisp, clean, and pure nature of this wine.

Vinevards:

Our 2014 Sauvignon Blanc comes from three small vineyards located in the Napa Valley. We feel we have partnered with some of the top growers in the Napa Valley to bring you this complex blend of Frediani, Lambentz, and Massa Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc. The various sources range from the cooler Yountville appellation to Calistoga and Pope Valley. We feel this brings to the wine the complex nature of grapes grown in several viticultural areas. The fruit characters in the vineyards range from lemon-lime and citrus to pineapple, floral and green apple notes. We work closely with our growers to ensure the highest quality fruit at harvest, and we treat their fruit with the gentlest hands to ensure the wine in the bottle is a reflection of the hard work we have all performed throughout the year.