



2024 29 ESTATE SAUVIGNON BLANC



Composition: 100% Sauvignon Blanc

Harvest Date: August 28 – September 3, 2024

Barrel Age: 20 months, 100% new French oak

Cooperage: Ermitage BTL, Saury Immersion

Bottling Date: June 1, 2026

Release Date: October 1, 2026

Cases Produced: 148

THE VINEYARD Our 29 Estate Vineyard sits on a hillside just at the “pinch” of Napa Valley’s hourglass shape. Excellent airflow provides natural frost protection, while the fertile clay loam soils encourage deeply rooted vines. The small Sauvignon Blanc block is just next to the winery, where a hillside tree line provides cool afternoon shade, giving this wine its signature richness and complexity.

THE VINTAGE During the period from December 2023 to February 2024, Napa Valley experienced 34 inches of rainfall, typical of an El Niño year. This helped replenish water resources and set a favorable stage for the 2024 growing season ahead. Following a series of late winter storms, bud-break was delayed by one week compared with the five-year average. The soil profiles reached full water-holding capacity, providing a vital resource for the grapevines as they emerged from dormancy. March temperatures were unseasonably cool but a warm spell during the second week of April ushered in a period of rapid early-season vine growth. Bloom began in mid-May under ideal conditions and ample sunshine, encouraging robust fruit set. June and July were hotter than average but thankfully, the abundance of winter rainfall and ideal spring weather allowed the grapevines to develop full and healthy vegetative canopies. Veraison occurred at the end of July, aligning with 2023 and matching historical averages. An interesting characteristic of the 2024 vintage was the mild August that followed. This reprieve from the unprecedented heat allowed for flavor and tannin development to progress without interruption. Harvest was on time (a few weeks earlier than 2023) and progressed well through September. An eight day stretch of late season heat in early October brought the remaining fruit in and harvest ended in mid-October.

THE WINE Vibrant and beautifully expressive, the 2024 Estate Sauvignon Blanc captures the freshness and elegance of the vintage. Aromas of grapefruit, Meyer lemon, white peach, and orange blossom lead into a richly textured palate layered with citrus, tropical fruit, and subtle mineral notes. Bright acidity provides energy and precision, while the generous mid-palate and lingering finish create a seamless balance of freshness and depth. Complex and refreshing, this Sauvignon Blanc is a unique example of a meticulously crafted, fine white wine.