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Vintage: 2017

Varietal: Sauvignon Blanc

Appellation: Napa Valley

Aging: 14 months in 100% French

oak

Production: 165 cases

Release date: Spring 2019

Notes:

An elegant wine with a style all its own, this Sauvignon Blanc is powerful, and anything but typical. Barrel fermentation and aging lends a touch of sweetness, a smooth, creamy texture and a refreshing acidity to the wine's aromatics of sweet white flowers and its intricate blend of flavors, including herbs, ripe white peach, and a touch of pineapple.

Vintage:

The year began with abundant rainfall, followed by a mild spring, resulting in extended flowering with little shatter. A Labor Day weekend heat wave kicked harvest into high gear, then cool weather allowed sugar levels to return to normal. Wines from this vintage are noted for their finesse, great complexity of flavor and elegance.

Vinification:

The fruit for this wine comes from a single block of a vineyard in Rutherford. Much like a white Bordeaux, the wine aged for 14 months in 100% French oak, then aged an additional 6 months in bottle before release.