



FLORA SPRINGS



WINEMAKER NOTES

Our estate vineyard on the Oakville Crossroad in Napa Valley's Oakville appellation is the source of our 2015 Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc, a site that has been sustainably farmed by our family for over two decades. We grow two Sauvignon Blanc clones in this vineyard; 62% of this wine is from our proprietary Soliloquy clone, while 38% comprises the aromatic Musque clone. While 100% of the wine was fermented in stainless steel, it was aged in a combination of stainless steel tanks, large wooden oval casks, concrete tanks and small oak barrels, imparting complexity and layers of aroma and flavor. The wine in barrel rested on its lees and was stirred every two weeks, re-suspending the lees and lending a creamy texture to the finished wine. Our 2015 Sauvignon Blanc offers bright fruit flavors of grapefruit, passion fruit and mandarin orange with subtle floral notes of honeysuckle and orange blossom. The wine has a broad, creamy mid-palate with perfumed notes of lychee nut and Asian pear, and there's a slightly nutty quality that adds to the complexity. The finish is spicy and mineral-laced, bringing the wine to a mouthwatering close.

ALL THE FACTS

Appellation: *Napa Valley*

Varietal: *100% Sauvignon Blanc
(62% Soliloquy clone, 38% Musque clone)*

Cases Produced: *3,650*

Aging: *7 months in a combination of concrete and stainless steel tanks, French oak barrels and stainless steel drums*

Suggested Retail Price: *\$25*

Enjoyability: *Drink now through 2019 for optimum enjoyment*

ON THE VINE

The 2015 vintage in Napa Valley will be remembered for high quality but low yields. The growing season began with warm temperatures in late winter and early spring resulting in an early bud break. In May, colder temperatures during bloom caused fruit set to be uneven, yielding a much smaller crop compared to earlier vintages. Winemakers and vineyard managers worked closely together as the season progressed to ensure grapes ripened uniformly. The harvest, which was in full swing by mid-August, was one of the earliest on record in Napa Valley, and most vintners completed picking by mid-October. Although the continuing drought was a concern around California, Napa Valley received 75% of its annual rainfall average in 2015 making it less worrisome for Napa vintners.