

VARIETAL COLLECTION

Reserve Sauvignon Blanc

BY CALDWELL

2020

Vintage: Third
Composition: 98% Sauvignon Blanc, 2% Chardonnay
Clones: 376 and Musque
Appellation: Coombsville, Napa Valley, CA
Vineyard: Caldwell Vineyard Estate, Established 1981
Block: Caldwell 6 and 7
Yield: 3.0 Tons per Acre on Average
Average Vine Age: 10 Years
Grape Variety: See Composition Section
Rootstock: 101-14
Harvest Date: August 31

Vintage Summary: The 2020 Vintage was mostly identified by the fires here in Napa Valley. Our whites and roses were all picked prior to any fires, luckily. A shorter, warmer growing season than the previous two seasons, 2020 appears to be showing traits in the wines similar to 2017. The whites started pouring in the winery with the roses almost two and a half weeks prior to 2019, but at optimal sugars, and a full spectrum of flavors.

Fermentation: French Oak Barrels
Yeast: Multiple
ML: None
Wood Origin: French Oak
(Jupilles, Bercé, and Center of France)

Aging: 16 Months
New Oak Barrels: 100%
Fining: None
Filtering: Filtered
Alcohol: 14.5%
Bottling Date: August 11, 2022

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: The 2020 Reserve SB from our special North-facing amphitheater-shaped vineyard demonstrates what a hotter year, with a little magic from a following cooler year can do to a barrel aged Sauvignon blanc. Lemon tart, baked pear, vanilla, guava, and a hint of baking spice dominate the very expressive nose. Slightly more opulent, and less mineral driven than its 2019 elegant counterpart, the 2020 Reserve SB retains a decadent richness with more toasted toned oak and salinity in the mid-palate.

Cellaring: Now – 5 Years
Production: 74 Cases
Price: \$150 / 750ml

