Varietal Collection

Sauvignon Blanc

2019

Vintage: Eleventh

Composition: 100% Sauvignon Blanc

Clones: 317 and 376

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: 24 Years

Grape Variety: See Composition Section

Rootstock: 101-14

Harvest Date: September 4 and 13, 2018

Vintage Summary: The 2019 growing season, much like 2018, was ideal for almost every varietal, clone, rootstock, and age group of vine. The season started very, very late, and it set us up for what could have been a devastatingly short growing season. However, the season turned out magically long, temperate, and devoid of rain and heat spikes during critical phenological ripening steps. Mother Nature provided winemakers and vineyard managers very little stress, while perfectly stressing the fruit. 2019 will go down in history as one of the highest quality and most abundant vintages of all time. Every wine in our lineup has a backbone of structure, power, and verve, but all are strongly defined by varietal purity and elegance.

Fermentation: French Oak Barrels, 33% New

Yeast: Multiple ML: Multiple

Wood Origin: French Oak (Jupilles, Bercé)

Aging: 6 Months
New Oak Barrels: 30%
Fining: None
Filtering: Filtered
Alcohol: 13.9%
Partiting Data April 2.20

Bottling Date: April 2, 2019

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: The 2019 VC SB from our special north-facing, amphitheater-shaped vineyard is even more wonderfully complex than the 2018. On the nose it leads with beautifully light, toasty, sweet vanilla oak notes, marshmallow, Concorde and Bosc pears, and jasmine flower. The attack is honeydew melon and Meyer lemon, leading to a three-way teeter-totter between decadence, freshness, and salinity that gives the palate a very complete and complex experience.

 $\begin{array}{lll} \mbox{Cellaring:} & \mbox{Now} - 3 \mbox{ Years} \\ \mbox{Production:} & 135 \mbox{ Cases} \\ \mbox{Price:} & $50 \slash 750 \mbox{ml} \\ \end{array}$

