



VENGE 2016 JEWELL VINEYARD SAUVIGNON BLANC, RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

Our fascination with this noble variety endures with the release of our new Sauvignon Blanc sourced from Dutton Ranch's acclaimed Jewell Vineyard.

The wine opens with a pale hue, ripe white peaches, nectarine, Asian pear, with hints of honeysuckle and jasmine. The entry on the palate is brimming with citrus, stone fruits, a touch of minerality, and a long, layered finish featuring delicious, island ripe pineapple and a touch of savory melon. Mouthwatering and refreshing, cellared correctly, this wine will provide 3 to 4 years of drinking pleasure.

IN THE VINEYARD

Located in the heart of Russian River Valley, the Dutton family farms this vineyard to perfection. This section of the valley has a diurnal variance of warm days and crisp nights, perfectly situated for a consistent growing season that leads to optimal ripening. This climate aids in the balancing of acidity and lifting tropical aromas in the fruit and thus, in the finished wine. The vines were carefully hand harvested and delivered cool to the winery.

IN THE CELLAR

Once to the winery and weighted in, the grapes are traditionally whole cluster pressed and allowed to cold settle in a combination of stainless steel and concrete fermentation tanks. A slow, cold fermentation took place over 45 days, allowing the development of aromatics in the wine. Once primary fermentation completed, a cold settling was once again induced to prohibit secondary (malolactic) fermentation. Upon completion, the wine was moved neutral French Oak barrels. We here at Venge are light handed on the usage of French Oak keeping it to 100% used, neutral French oak on our Sauvignon Blanc. Ageing on the lees was employed to further develop refined richness and length of body to the mid-palate, while keeping the wine clean and fresh. The 2016 vintage did not undergo any malolactic fermentation. Bottled unfiltered.

425 Cases Produced



100% Sauvignon Blanc
Musque Clone
0.80 g/100mL T.A.,
3.36 pH,
14.8% Alc.