



2017 Estate Collection Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc



TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Napa Valley

Varietal: Sauvignon Blanc

Alcohol: 14.5% by vol.

TA: 5.8g/L

pH: 3.48

Fermentation: 100% Barrel Fermented,
16% in new French Oak (Seguin
Moreau)

Production: 168 Cases

The Estate Collection

The Estate Collection is a series of limited-production wines available only at the Raymond Estate. Sourced from our finest estate vineyards and longtime vineyard partners, each wine represents our winemaking team's commitment to crafting wines worthy of our five generation winemaking legacy in Napa Valley.

In the Vineyard

The grapes for our Estate Collection Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc are grown in our estate vineyard in Jameson Canyon from a mix of clone 376, musque and clone I. The grapes sourced from the steep hillsides in Jameson Canyon, just east of Carneros, spend afternoons in temperatures warmer than the valley floor, but the mornings and evenings are spent in fog with cool, marine breezes ultimately helping to evenly ripen the grapes. This area is ideal for producing Sauvignon Blanc with crisp, clean mineral flavors with hints of melon.

Conversations with The Winemakers

The grapes were harvested on September 5 and 7, 2017. The grapes are whole cluster pressed, and the juice is fermented in French oak barrels. The barrel fermentation enhances mouthfeel while maintaining a nice acidity. The wine is aged for 4 months sur lie to provide complexity while preserving the delicate nature of the varietal before bottling.

Wine Profile

Our 2017 Estate Collection Sauvignon Blanc opens with delicate white floral aromas mixed with jasmine, violet and nuances of mango. This is a structured wine with a round mouthfeel and flavors of clementine on the palate with subtle notes of spice, touches of nutmeg and a good acidity on the finish.