



# MURRIETA'S WELL

ESTATE VINEYARD  
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## SAUVIGNON BLANC

LIVERMORE VALLEY

vin. 2019

### VINEYARD

Our wines are exclusively sourced from our estate vineyard in the Livermore Valley. The Sauvignon Blanc – descendants of the original cuttings planted by Louis Mel in the late 1800s – was grown in our Louis Mel vineyard (575-715 feet above sea level) located across the arroyo that runs directly in front of our historic tasting room property. The Malvasia Bianca and Chardonnay were sourced from our Ernest vineyard, which features an elevation range of 575-615 feet and is located directly west of our historic tasting room. The Chardonnay is planted to clonal selections that have not left the property in over 100 years and have been selected for their impressive aromatic expression and concentration. The Muscat Canelli and Viognier were grown in our Hayes vineyard which has the widest elevation range (560-860 feet) on our entire estate. We farm our vineyards block by block according to these attributes to ensure optimal flavor and fruit expression are achieved.

Sauvignon Blanc: Louis Mel | Malvasia Bianca: Ernest | Muscat Canelli: Hayes | Chardonnay: Ernest | Viognier: Hayes

### WINEMAKING

**FERMENTATION** | The grapes were picked in the early morning and went quickly into our presses, where we gently extracted the wine. The wine was settled for a day and then racked to stainless steel fermentation tanks where each variety was inoculated with a different yeast strain and fermented for three weeks. A small amount of the wine was fermented in neutral French oak barrels.

**AGING** | After fermentation, the Chardonnay went through malolactic fermentation while the other varieties were moved to storage tanks where the barrels were topped and some components were aged sur lie. The varieties were then blended together and aged in stainless steel tanks.

### HARVEST

All of these varieties were picked in October 2019. The 2019 vintage was moderate to warm in the Livermore Valley, without any heat spikes. This allowed the fruit to get extra hang time on the vine, which brought out the fruit and floral qualities even more. Overall, we saw good yields, healthy fermentations and high quality wines.

### ROBBIE'S TASTING NOTES

This wine delivers appealing aromatics and a complex palate. This Sauvignon Blanc brings a unique perspective due to the terroir of the Murrieta's Well estate vineyards. The aromatics are quick, lasting, and enticing showing passion fruit, lime, guava, apple, with a hint of lychee. This is complemented with a touch of vanilla and lightly toasted oak. The palate is medium-bodied, with a slightly oily texture and a crisp finish. This wine would do well as an aperitif, or paired with a pear and gorgonzola salad, goat cheese on toast, and fresh shucked oysters.

**VARIETAL COMPOSITION**  
76% Sauvignon Blanc, 7% Malvasia Bianca,  
7% Muscat Canelli, 6% Chardonnay,  
4% Viognier

**ALCOHOL** | 14.10%  
**PH** | 3.34  
**TA** | 0.20g/100ml

**BARRELS PRODUCED** | 100  
**RELEASE DATE** | October 2020