CARTE BLANCHE



2012 Proprietary White Sonoma County

- AVA: Sonoma County
- VARIETALS: 68% Sauvignon Blanc, 32% Semillon
- VINEYARDS: Blau Vineyards of Knights Valley 68% DeLorimier Vineyard of Alexander Valley 32%
 - CLONES: Both are unknown selections. They feature small clusters. Mature vines (17+ years old)
 - SOIL: Both vineyards are loamy soils.
- MICRO-CLIMATE: Fog in the mornings; sunny and warm afternoons typical of the Valley floor/bench.
 - ALCOHOL %: 14.2%
- VINEYARD YIELDS: 3 tons per acre for SB and 1.5 tons per acre for SE
 - FERMENTATION: At the natural temperature of the caves (63 F). Indigenous yeasts
 - BARREL AGING: 10 months
 - COOPERAGE: Darnajou, Taransaud, Gauthier Frères.
 - AGING: Bi-weekly batonnage
- MALOLACTIC FERM: No Malolactic in order to keep freshness and overall balance
 - TASTING NOTE: A fresh nose of white flowers sits atop lychee, citrus and white peaches. The attack shows lemon zest, pear, and stone fruits. Racy acidity defines a generous mid-palate, accentuating lemon zest, wet stones, and lilies. The wine delivers these aromas to a clean long finish.
 - CASES: 200 Cases Produced.
 - RETAIL: \$50

Hand-picked, small lugs hauled with refrigerated truck, double sorted by hand, slowly pressed.