



TITUS  
VINEYARDS

**2012 SAUVIGNON BLANC  
NAPA VALLEY**

***Vintage***

The 2012 growing season started with an exceptional fruit set that allowed for tailoring the eventual ripened crops through green harvest. Three previous vintages had offered lower yields. That said, yields from 2012 were back to 'normal' and even a bumper crop in some cases. Heralded as a 'classic' Napa Valley vintage, the growing season was long. Days were warmer than average and nights were very cool. These temperature fluctuations created even ripeness in the berries with great acidity to assist in aging ability and higher sugars to help create lush, full wines. Harvest was easy going with no surprise rains or temperature spikes. The wines from this vintage will be talked about for many years to come.

***Vineyard***

Our family vineyard is located on 40 acres of Napa Valley floor just north of St. Helena on the Silverado Trail. It has well-drained, sandy, alluvial soils and is characterized by its ability to produce complex wines with well-defined fruit flavors, gentle acids and naturally balanced tannins. 2.4 acres of Sauvignon Blanc were planted in 2004. The Sauvignon Blanc block is bordered by the Napa River on the southwest corner of the Titus estate vineyard. The vines are trained in a quadrilateral cordon fashion to enhance evaporation and prevent disease.

***Vinification***

The Sauvignon Blanc was harvested at 23 Brix. Following harvest, the juice was extracted from whole grape clusters in a pneumatic bladder press that minimizes the amount of skin, stem, and seed contact with the juice during fermentation and aging. Fermentation was set at 55 degrees and took three weeks to complete in an 800 gallon stainless steel tank. The wine remained in the tank and on the lees for 6 months prior to bottling.

***Wine Profile***

The fifth vintage of Sauvignon Blanc from Titus Vineyards is crystal clear with a pale gold hue. The nose is pronounced with notes of white peach, apricots, sweet melon, lemon, and lime, and star jasmine. This sipper has crisp, refreshing acidity and alluring flavors that match the aromas along with intense white flowers and subtle honeysuckle. Melons and dried flowers add a pleasant touch to the everlasting finish. Enjoy this wine now and over three years from vintage.

***Technical Information***

Vineyard Manager:	Eric Titus	Release:	May 2013
Winemaker:	Phillip Titus	Aging:	6 months
Appellation:	Napa Valley		100% Stainless Steel
Blend:	100% Sauvignon Blanc	Bottled:	February 2013
Cases Produced:	1163	Alcohol:	14.1%
Harvest Date:	September 2012	Total Acidity:	.64 g/100 ml
		pH:	3.34