# TITUS

EARS IN NAPA

- ESTABLISHED 1969

The Mountain Rd St Helena

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## 2019 SAUVIGNON BLANC NAPA VALLEY

Titus Vineyards is a family owned 50-acre vineyard and winery located at the base of Howell Mountain along the Silverado Trail in the heart of the St. Helena AVA, Napa Valley. In the past 50 years, some of the valleys finest wines including Charles Krug, Beaulieu Vineyards and Cuvaison have originated from our historic vineyards. The modern-day legacy of winemaking and land stewardship is reflected in the distinctive character, well balanced wines made here.

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#### VINEYARDS

- Our well-drained, sandy, alluvial soils are characterized by its ability to produce with well-defined fruit flavors, and firm acids.
- Our Sauvignon Blanc vines were planted in 2004 and are bordered by the Napa River on the southwest corner of the Titus Estate Vineyard.
- The vines are cane pruned and trained with a split canopy to enhance concentration, dappled sunlight and good air circulation.

#### VINTAGE

• The 2019 growing season began with ample January rains that continued through the Winter months. Lower than average temperatures as we moved into Spring pushed bud break off a week or two from the normal window. Unseasonable rains moved in the month of May, which did not effect fruit set due to the delay in flowering. At this point the soil moisture was ideal going into the long summer growing season.

• Mild to warm growing conditions throughout June and July allowed the soil to gradually dry and kept the plants in stress free state leading up to and through veraison. A warm August helped the ample crop move along toward maturity, with September providing ideal conditions for extended hang time to develop color and flavor. Similar to 2018, the majority of the red grape harvest was in October.

• Harvest for Sauvignon Blanc was just a few days after Labor Day. The warm August conditions worked perfectly to bring the fruit development, resulting in excellent flavor development and acid retention, the hallmarks of good Sauvignon Blanc.

#### WINEMAKING

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Vineyard Manager: Eric TitusRelease: July 2020Barrel Aging: 4 Months in usedWinemaker: Stephen CruzanBlend: 94.6% Sauvignon BlancFrench OakAppellation: Napa Valley5.4% ViognierAlcohol: 14.1%Harvest Date: Sept 4, 2019Cases Produced: 728Acidity: 7.2 g/LBottled: April 10, 2020PH: 3.23

### TASTING NOTES

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