

TITUS



50 YEARS IN NAPA VALLEY

- ESTABLISHED 1969 -



2020 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.

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

- Late season rains and cool temperatures meant for a slightly later Spring with bud break occurring in the third week of March. Even weather throughout the Spring allowed the soils to dry out and flowering to occur unabated with balanced berry set happening across all varieties.
- June and July provided ideal weather to help the vines catch up a bit and proceed into veraison in early August. The heat of late Summer allowed the vineyards to develop deep flavors with rich color in the red varieties and bright fruit in our Sauvignon Blanc.
- Harvest for the Sauvignon Blanc occurred the week of Labor Day. The later harvest date allowed the fruit to be expressive, bright and retain its natural acid.

WINEMAKING

This vintage of Sauvignon Blanc was whole cluster pressed, and the juice was transferred to a stainless-steel tank where fermentation took place. At the conclusion of fermentation, the wine was gently racked to neutral French Oak barrels where it stayed for the remainder of its aging. The Viognier was barrel fermented and barrel aged. After 4 months of aging these wines were racked to tank and blended to be cold stabilized in preparation for bottling.

Vineyard Manager: Eric Titus

Winemaker: Stephen Cruzan

Appellation: Napa Valley

Harvest Date: Aug 21 & 22nd, 2020

Bottled: March 9, 2021

Release: March 2021

Blend: 97% Sauvignon Blanc, Estate

3% Viognier

Cases Produced: 1148

Barrel Aging: Neutral French Oak

Alcohol: 14.1%

Acidity: 7.5 g/L

pH: 3.26

TASTING NOTES

Harvested after a beautiful warm Summer on August 21st and 22nd the 2020 Titus Sauvignon Blanc displays great purity and brightness. The wine's aromas are fresh and lively with impressions of lemon-lime, Bartlett pear, kiwi, kumquat, and blooming citrus. Inviting and smooth as it glides along the palate the wine is driven by flavors of citrus zest, pippin apple, fruit cocktail, and lemon tart. The crisp finish is clean and bright lingering with plumeria and stone fruit tones.