



Calstar Cellars

2022 Sauvignon Blanc

Russian River Valley, Sonoma County

Appellation Profile

The Russian River Valley continued to be a perfect stage for the production of Sauvignon Blanc in 2022. Despite limited rainfall, early frosts, a warm spring, and early summer, the quality of the fruit was exceptional. The smaller yields brought about by these conditions enhanced the fruit's flavors concentration. This appellation, known for its cool, foggy mornings and evenings, ensured an extended growing season for the grapes, leading to full ripening while maintaining fresh, vibrant acidity.

Winemaker's Notes

The 2022 Sauvignon Blanc greets the eye with a gleaming, pale lemon-gold hue, hinting at the rich flavors hidden within. Aromatically, this vintage delivers a captivating blend of freshness and complexity. The bouquet reveals an invigorating burst of fresh citrus fruits like Meyer lemon and grapefruit, accentuated by exotic hints of guava and passion fruit.

On the palate, the initial impression is one of brisk minerality that is reminiscent of the vineyard's proximity to the ocean. However, this gives way to a lush array of tropical fruit flavors, demonstrating the warm, ripe vintage. A subtle herbaceous undertone characteristic of the varietal underpins notes of pineapple and guava. As the wine evolves in the glass, secondary notes of baked apple and brioche add depth to the flavor profile.

The wine maintains a delightful balance despite the fruit concentration, thanks to the Russian River Valley's signature acidity. This, coupled with a touch of salinity and wet-rock minerality, extends through the long, satisfying finish. This bottling can certainly be enjoyed on its own but would also pair wonderfully with a variety of dishes, from creamy risotto and shellfish to spicy Thai cuisine.

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RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

HARVEST DATE

09-01-2022

FINISHED PH

3.23

FINISHED TA

6.83

ALCOHOL

13.5

FERMENTATION PROGRAM

80% in Stainless Tank, 20% neutral
bbl. Dry with no Malo/Lactic
fermentation

CASES PRODUCED

45

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