



DRY CREEK VINEYARD
FUMÉ BLANC

FIRST YEAR PRODUCED
1972

APPELLATION
SONOMA COUNTY

SOILS
VALLEY FLOOR, SANDY LOAM

FLAVOR PROFILE
MEYER LEMON, KEY LIME, GRAPEFRUIT, THYME, DRIED HERBS



FUMÉ BLANC: A FAMILY TRADITION

Fumé Blanc is at the heart and soul of our family winery. David S. Stare founded Dry Creek Vineyard in 1972, inspired by the refreshing white wines of the Loire Valley in France. Our heritage as the first winery to release a Fumé Blanc in Sonoma County paved the way for a reawakening of viticulture in the Dry Creek Valley. Today, we continue to adhere to our benchmark style and vision for Fumé Blanc. This quintessential Sauvignon Blanc displays bright crisp acids, racy citrus and lemon-lime characters, and steely minerality. We turn to the Dry Creek Valley and Russian River Valley as the fruit sources in crafting our Fumé Blanc. The combination of warmer and cooler climate grapes provides the textural distinction and unique style that has been a hallmark for nearly 50 years.

Family Owned and Sustainably Farmed Since 1972



DRY CREEK VINEYARD
FUMÉ BLANC PIONEER

	1972	Pioneer David Stare becomes the first person to plant Sauvignon Blanc in his “DCV3 Vineyard” in the (then) yet to be recognized appellation of the Dry Creek Valley. This is also the first vintage of Fumé Blanc ever released in Sonoma County.
	1973	The preeminent wine critic Robert Finnegan declares that Dry Creek Vineyard Fumé Blanc has “set the stage for a rebirth of the Sauvignon Blanc varietal” in California.
	1982	A blind tasting at Wine Spectator gives first place to Dry Creek Vineyard Fumé Blanc beating out Robert Mondavi, Grgich Hills, Kenwood, Chateau St. Jean and Cakebread.
	1991	Robert M. Parker declares Dry Creek Vineyard Fumé Blanc one of the “World’s Greatest Wine Values.”
	2005	Noted author and wine critic Paul Lukacs, singles out DCV3 as a top vineyard in his book, “The Great Wines of America: The Top Forty Vintners, Vineyards, and Vintages.”
	2007	2007 vintage of Fumé Blanc wins the Sweepstakes Award at the Sonoma County Harvest Fair becoming the Best White Wine in Sonoma County.
	2011	New vintage of Fumé Blanc is released in a fresh new package and bottled in clear glass for the first time.
	2016	Selected as one of the “Top 100 Best Buy Wines for 2016” by Wine Enthusiast.
	2018	“It is lively, tart and fresh. Balanced flavors of lemon peel, lime and peach mingle around an earthy tease of fresh-cut grass.” 90 Points, Wine Enthusiast, November 2019

“We can all thank owner David Stare of Dry Creek for bringing the now-famous grassy, grapefruit style of Sauvignon Blanc to our shores in the early 1970s.”

LESLIE SBROCCO, *The New York Times*

FUMÉ BLANC
WINEMAKING NOTES

FERMENTATION 100% STAINLESS STEEL	VARIETAL 100% SAUVIGNON BLANC
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MODELED AFTER the classic wines of the Loire Valley, our stainless steel fermented, no-oak style of Fumé Blanc is crisp, balanced and immediately drinkable. At first swirl, aromatics of Meyer lemon, key lime and lemongrass leap forward from the glass. On the palate, the wine is refreshing with flavors of lemon curd, tangerine and hints of dried thyme and freshly cut grass. This wine is mouthwatering and delicious with lovely intensity and a clean, pure finish. Enjoy on a warm summer’s day, paired with fresh oysters – pure bliss!

THE FIRST NEW WINERY AFTER PROHIBITION
DRY CREEK VINEYARD

FOUNDED 1972	WINE PIONEER DAVID S. STARE	ESTATE VINEYARD ACRES 185 SUSTAINABLY FARMED
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FOUNDED IN 1972 by David S. Stare, Dry Creek Vineyard was the first new winery in the Dry Creek Valley following Prohibition. Dave’s vision to start a winery modeled after a Loire Valley chateau reintroduced the world to the wines of northern Sonoma County. Today, his daughter Kim Stare Wallace continues to build on these established traditions while innovating for the future. With the second generation firmly at the helm, the stewardship and future of Dry Creek Vineyard has never been brighter.

