



2024 DCV3 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Dry Creek Valley



HISTORY

For over 50 years, Dry Creek Vineyard has been a leader in Sauvignon Blanc in California. Winery founder David S. Stare was the first person to plant the Sauvignon Blanc variety in the Dry Creek Valley in our DCV3 Vineyard, against the advice of viticultural experts. Many years later, Sauvignon Blanc is now the most widely planted white variety in the Dry Creek Valley, and his daughter Kim and her husband Don continue to elevate the winery's Sauvignon Blanc program to new heights!

GROWING SEASON

A rainy winter replenished water reserves before budbreak occurred as expected in the spring, with cool temperatures initially slowing vine development. This cool spring was followed by a summer with notably warmer-than-usual temperatures that accelerated the ripening process. The warmer temperatures carried into September and resulted in an earlier harvest than in previous years, with picking completed by mid-October — about two to three weeks ahead of the prior season. Yields were slightly lower than 2023, but as a whole, the 2024 crop was average to slightly above average for most varieties. The quality of the vintage was anything but average: With warm weather allowing for fully developed berries, the season produced wines with good acidity, balanced tannins, and complex aromas and flavor.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The 2024 DCV3 Sauvignon Blanc opens with lifted aromas of lemon blossom, grapefruit, passionfruit and wet gravel, accented by hints of lemongrass and parsley stem. On the palate, vibrant flavors of white peach, ruby grapefruit and lemon bar mingle with a touch of white pepper. The mouthfeel is fresh and crisp, with bright acidity and a lingering citrus finish that showcases the wine's complexity and balance.

BLEND

100% Sauvignon Blanc

FERMENTATION

Fermented in stainless steel at an average of 50–55°F for 22–24 days

ALCOHOL | 12.3%

BRIX | 20.9

PH | 3.31

TA | 7.1 g/L

HARVEST DATES

August 27–30, 2024

VINE AGE | 13 years

SOILS

Sandy yolo gravelly loam

90 **90**
POINTS **POINTS**

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