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2018 Las Brisas Vineyard Pinot Blanc



Vineyard

Each year we purchase a scant 1 acre block of Pinot Blanc from the Las Brisas Vineyard located in the Sonoma portion of Carneros (Carneros straddles both Napa and Sonoma). Much like our Estate vineyard, the Las Brisas vineyard is situated adjacent to the San Pablo Bay which directs the cooling fog and bay breezes into the vineyard. This cool site allows for slow even ripening and brings beautiful acidity and vibrant aromatics to the Pinot Blanc.

Growing Season

2018 delivered a late but incredible harvest. Beautiful weather during bloom allowed for a bounty of exceptional fruit. A cool, foggy summer with no heat events ensured slow even ripening, vibrant acidity and superb flavor development.

Vinification

The Las Brisas Vineyard Pinot Blanc is harvested at night time when the air is cool to preserve aromatics. The fruit is whole cluster pressed and fermented in neutral oak barrels. The barrels are stirred monthly to incorporate the lees and add depth and complexity.

Tasting Notes

When was the last time you wrote a love note for that special someone in your life? A brief, yet passionate ode to the one who makes your heart skip a beat. Need some help? "Until I see you again, my heart will break each moment you're away from me. At day's end your embrace is the glue that makes me whole again." OK, fine. Maybe that's a bit much. So try this. "Aromas of green melon and citrus. With flavors of pear and apricot dancing on the palate. Let's enjoy this bottle of Pinot Blanc after work today. I love you." We here at Bouchaine have done all the hard work for you. Now just go enjoy the evening.

Appellation

Napa Valley, Carneros

Vineyard

Las Brisas Vineyard

Aging

5 months

Harvest Date

September 14, 2018

Bottling Date

April 17, 2019

Maturation

Aged in neutral French oak

PH

3.45

TA

5.1 g/L

RS

0 g/L

Alcohol

13.5%

Production

265 cases (750ml)

Suggested Retail

\$38