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Chenin Blanc No 2021

About our Chenin Blanc : Our 2021 Chenin Blanc bottling incorporates a new approach by blending traditionally pressed, white wine Chenin Blanc with skin-contact fermented Chenin Blanc, creating a unique flavor profile that sets it apart from our previous vintages. The Jurassic Park Vineyard, located in Santa Barbara County, California, is the source of both components of the cuvee. The vineyard gets its name from the prehistoric-looking oak trees on the property, which resemble those from the Jurassic era. In addition to the trees, the vineyard is also known for the many oil drilling rigs scattered throughout the property, which look like ancient dinosaurs slowly moving up and down. These rigs are a common sight along the coast. The old vines of Jurassic Park Vineyard are planted in sandy and gravelly soils that are rich in diatomaceous earth, which is a sedimentary rock formed by fossilized diatoms. This unique soil composition, combined with the vineyard's cool climate, provides ideal conditions for producing complex and nuanced Chenin Blanc. The skin contact component of our Chenin Blanc allows the juice to ferment with the skins, imparting a deep golden color and tannic texture to the wine, while the regular white wine portion provides a refreshing and crisp acidity, along with flavors of tropical fruits like pineapple and guava, and citrus notes of lemon and lime.

Tasting Notes : Our Chenin Blanc is a wine with a golden color and dusty sparkle. On the nose, it presents aromas of honey, dried apricots, and chamomile, along with a flinty minerality. The palate is rich and full-bodied, with ripe tropical fruit flavors like pineapple and guava, combined with citrus notes of lemon and lime. The wine has a pronounced tannic texture and mouthfeel, with hints of spice and earthiness, and a subtle nuttiness that lingers on the finish. The acidity is well-balanced, providing a refreshing and crisp counterpoint to the wine's richness.

ABV : 12.5%

AVA : Santa Ynez Valley

Total Production : 150 cases



Natural wine is a type of wine that is produced using simple or traditional methods as part of a movement among winemakers. While there is no standard definition of natural wine, it is generally made without the use of pesticides, herbicides, and with few or no additives. Typically, natural wine is produced on a small scale using traditional methods instead of industrial ones, and is fermented using only native yeast. It is also unfinned and unfiltered, and often uses minimal effective SO₂, allowing the wine to express the terroir and the grape variety with minimal intervention.