



COQUEREL

2014 LE PETIT COQUEREL SAUVIGNON BLANC

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OVERVIEW

Coquerel Family Wine Estates is located just beyond the town of Calistoga at the north end of the Napa Valley. The heart and soul of our winery is our estate vineyard, a gorgeous, oak-studded property that sits in the afternoon shadows of the Mayacamas Mountains. Since 2005, we have done extensive enhancement and replanting of the site to ensure world-class fruit from vintage to vintage. The combination of warm temperatures and deep, clay soils makes this ideal terroir for Sauvignon Blanc, our flagship variety. It also produces exceptional Verdelho, Tempranillo and Petite Sirah. In addition to our estate fruit, we source Chardonnay, Cabernet and other noble grapes from a handful of premier growers throughout the Napa Valley.

VINTAGE

2014 was another dry year for the vineyard; most of the precipitation occurred just before bud break. The spring rain was a welcome sight as it allowed for normal vine canopy growth. The rest of the growing season consisted of cool mornings and warm days. Much like the previous vintage, this growing period started earlier than anticipated and we began harvesting on August 23rd. We were planning to harvest the rest of our fruit on August 25, but a 6.1 earthquake struck Napa on August 24th at 3:20 am. This definitely changed our harvest plan. The winery we utilize in the making of our Coquerel wines was damaged; eight hundred barrels from previous vintages had fallen to the cellar floor. We were finally able to hand harvest early in the morning on August 28th. The winemaking community of Napa assisted us in finding a winery to host Coquerel Wines for crush and fermentation.

WINEMAKING

Most of the fruit for our 2014 Le Petit Sauvignon Blanc came from our estate Walnut Wash Vineyard in Calistoga. Once in the winery, clusters were de-stemmed and gently pressed to avoid any bitterness. The juice was fermented in stainless steel barrels and aged sur lie with frequent stirring to increase body and texture. Bottling took place in May 2015

TASTING NOTES

Our 2014 Le Petit Sauvignon Blanc is pure, fresh and delicious. The nose is expressive and powerful with traces of lime, guava, grapefruit and lychee. The palate is crisp thanks to the firm acidity, but with enough richness and viscosity to stand up strong cheeses, fish and fowl. The finish is long and complete.

STATISTICS

COMPOSITION	100% Sauvignon Blanc	TA	6
REGION	Napa Valley	pH	3.3
AGING	7 months in stainless steel barrels with weekly stirring of lees	ALCOHOL	13.5%
		CASES	500

