



COQUEREL

2020 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, Petite Sirah, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. In 2015 we planted 4 acres of Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc on our estate. These were planted at a density of 3000 vines/acre using 3309 rootstock and 2 clones 269 and 4. In addition to our estate fruit, we source Cabernet Franc from a premier grower in Napa Valley.

VINTAGE

The vintage 2020 started with a good rain in December 2019 through January. February was the driest and warmest recorded in the last 10 years. From March to May little rain was recorded. Budbreak on the property occurred as usual around the third week of March. From veraison to harvest, the weather was warmer than the previous vintage. We cannot talk about the 2020 vintage without mentioning the COVID pandemic which changed the way we worked in the vineyard, and the fire season which started very early in August making this vintage an extremely challenging one. Our Sauvignon Blanc was harvested on August 31.

WINEMAKING

The fruit for our 2020 Le Petit Sauvignon Blanc came from our estate Walnut Wash Vineyard in Calistoga. Once in the winery the 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 at the end of March 2021.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2020 Le Petit Sauvignon Blanc is pure, fresh and delicious. The nose is expressive and powerful with lemon and guava fragrances. The palate is crisp with a round mid-palate and a long finish of exotic fruit. Pairs well with green salads, Asian food and a gourmet cheese plate.

STATISTICS

COMPOSITION	100% Sauvignon Blanc	TA	6.26
REGION	Napa Valley	pH	3.38
AGING	7 months in stainless steel barrels with weekly stirring of lees	ALCOHOL	13.5%
		CASES	500

