



# COQUEREL

## 2021 TERROIR 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 2021 was very challenging with a dry winter and spring with daily wind. The rainfalls were light this year and brought in barely 10 inches. The management of irrigation was thoughtful, starting at bloom in May to grow a substantial canopy. To save water, suckering was done earlier than the previous vintage. Overall, our vineyard yield was similar to that of 2020. Our Sauvignon Blanc was harvested on September 1st.

### WINEMAKING

The fruit for our 2021 Terroir 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 settled and fermented in small French oak barrels, 10% of which were new. The wine was aged sur lie with frequent stirring to increase body and texture. Bottling took place on February 16th.

### TASTING NOTES

Our 2021 Terroir follows in the footsteps of its predecessors. Although somewhat restrained in its youth, the bouquet is redolent with orange marmalade, kumquat and a hint of vanilla. The palate opens with zingy acidity followed by a creamy mid-palate and a long finish packed with grapefruit and guava. While it drinks beautifully now, this is one of those rare Sauvignon Blancs that will continue to improve with age.

### STATISTICS

<b>COMPOSITION</b> .....	100% Sauvignon Blanc	<b>TA</b> .....	3.2
<b>REGION</b> .....	Calistoga, Napa Valley	<b>pH</b> .....	7.4
<b>AGING</b> .....	7 months in 100% French oak (10% new), weekly stirring of lees	<b>ALCOHOL</b> .....	13.5%
		<b>CASES</b> .....	100

