



FIRESTONE

VINEYARD



SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

2022 | The Chairman Series Fumé Blanc

Founded in 1972, Firestone was the first major estate winery to sink roots in Santa Barbara County. The winery's proximity to the Pacific Ocean, a mere 26 miles to the west, ensures a relatively mild and arid climate throughout the year, making it an ideal setting for our estate vineyards planted to Bordeaux, Rhône and Burgundian varieties.

VINEYARDS Santa Barbara County's patchwork quilt of micro-climates and unique terrain provide the ideal conditions for growing grapes, like our Firestone The Chairman Series Fumé Blanc. This wine is comprised of grapes from the best vineyard block on our estate in Santa Ynez Valley planted to the Musqué clone, one of the most aromatic grape clones with hints of Muscat, as the name implies.

VINTAGE Santa Barbara County's drought conditions continued in the 2022 growing season. Cool summer weather patterns delayed grape maturity until August, when hot days coupled with unusually warm nights pushed the fruit toward harvest readiness. Firestone had its earliest pick in the last 6 years, and was completely picked by October 19th.

WINEMAKER NOTES The fruit for this wine comes from our best block of Sauvignon Blanc on the estate. The musqué clone makes this a highly aromatic wine, with tropical guava, peach, and nectarine notes. The palate is bright, with lively acidity and flavors of confectionery pineapple meringue accented by grapefruit and citrus on the finish. Enjoy paired with fatty fish, cream sauces or Thanksgiving turkey with mashed potatoes and gravy.

APPELLATION Santa Barbara County

COMPOSITION 100% Sauvignon Blanc

ALCOHOL 14.3% | **TA** 6.59 g/L | **pH** 3.28

AGING Aged 7 months in French and American oak, 5% new

PRODUCTION 805 cases



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