



# CHALK HILL

WINDY RIDGE

2021 SAUVIGNON BLANC

SINCE ITS FOUNDING IN 1972, Chalk Hill Estate has been recognized as one of California's benchmark producers. Our 1300+-acre property is located at the convergence of a number of diverse climates, soils and terrains in the northeastern hills of Sonoma County. The complexity of the terroir enables us to produce a range of wines from nearly 300 acres of vineyards woven amongst the native oak woodlands, meadows and streams. This Sauvignon Blanc comes from Windy Ridge block N, located at an elevation of 630 feet and featuring free-draining, rocky soil. The well-controlled vigor of these vines results in pronounced aromatics and concentrated tropical flavors.

The 2021 vintage was warmer than average with little rainfall leading to a relatively early bud-break. Warm temperatures continued into summer setting the stage for full ripening, fresh acidity and beautifully balanced fruit. Opening with a highly fragrant nose, this wine entices the senses with aromas of papaya, grapefruit, mango and lime zest. The palate is clean and bright with flavors of honeydew melon, passion fruit and layers of stone fruit through the long, juicy finish.

## HARVEST

*Harvest Dates:* SEPTEMBER 11, 2021

*Average Yields:* 5.75 TONS / ACRE

*Average Brix at Harvest:* 24.2°

## FERMENTATION / BARREL

CULTURED YEAST FERMENTATION WITH BI-WEEKLY BÂTONNAGE

NO MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION

*Cooperage:* 100% FRENCH OAK, 18% NEW

*Barrel Aging:* 7 MONTHS

## WINE

*Blend:* 100% SAUVIGNON BLANC

*Bottling date:* JUNE 9, 2022

*pH:* 3.24    *TA:* 6.76 G/L    *Alcohol:* 14.5%

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