

Bougetz Cellars

2016 BOUGETZ CELLARS BLISS RUTHERFORD SAUVIGNON BLANC

WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2016 Bliss Rutherford Sauvignon Blanc is sourced completely from a single vineyard in the heart of Rutherford. This wine is a blend of 95% Sauvignon Blanc with 5% Semillon. Aged on partial lees and stirred regularly, this wine has picked up a fuller mid-palate which shows melon and tropical notes. Plenty of racy acidity shows through on the finish, leaving your palate clean while tantalizing your taste buds.

HARVEST NOTES

Heading into the fourth year of a prolonged drought, we had a warm, dry winter, which led to an early bud break in 2016. The growing season stayed ahead of normal through the entire season with no measurable rainfall until mid October. The Bliss Sauvignon Blanc comes from a single block off Dalla Gasperina Vineyard in the heart of Rutherford. With no heat spikes and no rain, the fruit was able to hang, and mature, at a very natural pace. After a little green harvesting in early August, we harvested the fruit in the early morning of August 22nd.



Harvest date: August 22nd, 2016

- Appellation: Rutherford
- Brix at harvest: 23.8
- Fermentation: $\frac{3}{4}$ neutral French Oak, $\frac{1}{4}$ stainless steel
- Aging: 100% neutral French oak
- Alcohol: 14.4%
- pH: 3.33
- TA: 6.80 g/L
- Bottled: June 2017
- Case production: 240 cases
- Winemaker: Thomas Bougetz
- Suggested retail: \$26



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