

# Bougetz Cellars

## 2017 BOUGETZ CELLARS BLISS RUTHERFORD SAUVIGNON BLANC

### WINEMAKER NOTES

The 2017 Bliss Rutherford Sauvignon Blanc is sourced completely from a single vineyard in the heart of Rutherford. This wine is a blend of 93% Sauvignon Blanc with 7% 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

The winter of 2016-2017 finally showed some relief from the four straight years of drought seen in California. With a wetter than normal winter, the growing season started closer to normal, with flowering occurring the last week of May. The summer was dry and sunny leading to a night harvest on September 1<sup>st</sup>. The Bliss Sauvignon Blanc comes from a single block off Dalla Gasperina Vineyard in the heart of Rutherford. Picking well before the fires that ravaged Napa Valley in mid-October, this fruit was allowed to reach full maturity at a natural pace.



**Harvest date:** September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017

- Appellation: Rutherford
- Brix at harvest: 23.5
- Fermentation:  $\frac{3}{4}$  neutral French Oak,  $\frac{1}{4}$  stainless steel
- Aging: 100% neutral French oak
- Alcohol: 14.4%
- pH: 3.23
- TA: 7.20 g/L
- Bottled: June 2018
- Case production: 320 cases
- Winemaker: Thomas Bougetz
- Suggested retail: \$26



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