

## 2021 BOUGETZ CELLARS BLISS RUTHERFORD SAUVIGNON BLANC

## **WINEMAKER NOTES**

The 2021 Bliss Rutherford Sauvignon Blanc is sourced completely from a single vineyard in the heart of Rutherford. This wine is 100% Sauvignon Blanc. Aged primarily in neutral French oak barrels, the wine was stirred on a regular basis, incorporating the weight of the lees on the midpalate. Still lots of fresh acidity but showing more melon and tropical notes on the nose.

## HARVEST NOTES

The 2021 growing season started early with bud break occurring about a week earlier than average. With a shortage of winter rains, we experienced another drought year, with rain totals about 60 percent of normal. Luckily, we didn't see much in the way of heat spikes, so the fruit ripened at a consistent pace. With an early bud break, and consistent growing phase, the fruit reached full maturity and was picked over night, on August 30<sup>th</sup>. The Bliss Sauvignon Blanc comes from a single block off Dalla Gasperina Vineyard in the heart of Rutherford.



Harvest date: August 30th, 2021

Appellation: Rutherford

• Brix at harvest: 25

 Fermentation: ¾ neutral French Oak, ¼ stainless steel

Aging: 100% neutral French oak

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.25

TA: 7.60 g/L

Bottled: May 2022

Case production: 310 cases

Winemaker: Thomas Bougetz

Suggested retail: \$28



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