

## **2021 SAUVIGNON BLANC** SAN MATEO VINEYARD, RUTHERFORD ESTATE NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD: Rutherford Estate

VARIETAL: 100% Sauvignon Blanc

**ALCOHOL:** 13.5%

**CASE PRODUCTION: 201** 

**MATURATION:** Stainless steel

**FOOD AFFINITIES:** Goat cheese, seafood, melon and prosciutto

## WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES:

"Showcasing the best of our Musque clone Sauvignon Blanc, the small-lot steel barrel fermented Rutherford Estate draws you in with notes of pink grapefruit, lychee, guava, and finger lime. Aging on the lees develops a silky texture on the palate that is accentuated by a refreshing citrus zest acidity and a light chalk minerality." – Justin Carr

## **GROWING SEASON:**

The 2021 vintage brought small, intensely-flavored berries and a predictable harvest. Spring had very little rain – the second year in a row with extreme drought conditions. These dry conditions were beneficial to the vines and meant less pruning and even cluster development. Harvest began and ended earlier compared to previous vintages bringing us extremely concentrated, juicy berries.

## LONG MEADOW RANCH:

Owned by Ted, Laddie, and Christopher Hall, LMR employs an integrated, organic farming system, using simple, sustainable methods. Each part of the Ranch contributes to the health of the whole. Vineyards and wine making, olive orchards and olive oil making, cattle and horse breeding all work together in complementary fashion, as do the egg-laying poultry flock and the organic vegetable gardens. All crops are certified organic by California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) and are grown without the use of herbicides, pesticides, or chemical fertilizers.

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