

APPELLATION: Napa Valley COMPOSITION: 100% Sauvignon Blanc AGING: Stainless Steel

ALCOHOL: 14.2%

T.A.: 0.56 g / 100ml

PH: 3.32

#### HARVEST DATE: August 22–September 5, 2017

**RELEASE DATE:** April 2018

CASES: 16,000 (12-pack cases)

With more than 40 years of winemaking heritage in California's most fabled wine region, Napa Cellars embodies the classic, unmistakable style of Napa Valley. Veteran winemaker Joe Shirley crafts our wines from estate vineyards and coveted partner sites throughout Napa's most revered sub-appellations. Meticulous care in the vineyard, coupled with gentle winemaking techniques, ensures our wines reflect the quality and richness of Napa Valley's terroir.

# VINEYARD

We meticulously selected fruit from several sub-appellations in the warmer regions of Napa Valley, including St. Helena and Rutherford, to better tease out the vibrant aromas and flavors that make this varietal so appealing. Napa's warm days and cool nights are ideal for promoting Sauvignon Blanc's beautiful and vibrant aromatics, as well as its balanced acidity.

### CLONAL SELECTION:

UCD Clone 1 (higher acid, classic Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc clone)

# HARVEST

The 2017 growing season offered superlative growing conditions with abundant rain at the beginning of the year. Harvest brought lower yields with fruit of excellent quality.

# WINEMAKING

After harvest, the fruit was immediately de-stemmed and sent to the press. A cool fermentation in 100% stainless steel tanks followed to better preserve the bright and crisp Sauvignon Blanc fruit characteristics.

#### WINEMAKER NOTES

This Sauvignon Blanc opens with alluring aromas of red grapefruit, melon and tropical fruit with floral notes. A full and lively palate of green apple and lemongrass balances this wine's tropical notes with crisp acidity that gives way to a lingering, honeyed finish. Winemaker Joe Shirley recommends pairing this Sauvignon Blanc with sea bass lightly drizzled with olive oil and sea salt, or tomato and cucumber gazpacho topped with basil, dill and goat cheese.

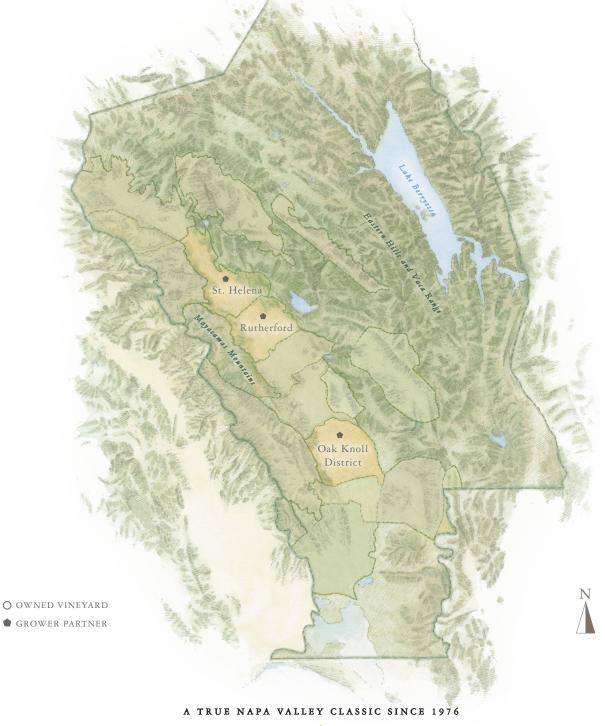
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