

2019 Rombauer SAUVIGNON BLANC

Introduced with the 2014 vintage, our Sauvignon Blanc marks an exciting milestone for Rombauer Vineyards — the first new varietal introduced in more than 20 years and only the second white wine in our 40-year history.

VINEYARDS

The fruit for this wine comes from premium growing sites in Napa and Sonoma counties that offer abundant sunshine yet moderate temperatures — ideal conditions for cultivating delicious Sauvignon Blanc.

WINEGROWING

Good rains in March and April replenished reservoirs and led to healthy vine growth which we managed through leafing and cluster thinning. Weather during the summer and fall was moderate, and we finished picking our Sauvignon Blanc on September 27th. Sustainable farming practices throughout the growing season were tailored to each block with the assistance of aerial photos produced using NDVI (Normalized Difference Vegetation Index) technology. The fruit was handpicked at dawn and sorted in the vineyard.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were gently whole-cluster pressed while the fruit was still cool. The majority of the juice was fermented in stainless steel tanks, while the remainder fermented in a combination of French

oak barrels and concrete tanks, imparting weight and texture to the finished wine. The wine was bottled under Stelvin aluminum closure — another Rombauer first — to preserve the freshness and vibrancy so appealing in this Sauvignon Blanc.

TASTING NOTES

This wine exudes aromas of lime, mango, grapefruit and white peach with a hint of fresh-cut grass. The palate is fresh and enticing as grapefruit and passion fruit intertwine with keylime, making the mouth water. Balanced, yet lively acidity lingers on the palate inviting another taste. The finish gives the wine length and vibrant freshness.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Our favorite Joy of Cooking® pairings* for this wine include Oysters on the Half-Shell with Mignonette Sauce (Pg. 570), Black Cod Misozuke (Pg. 387).



RELEASE DATE	April 2020	AVERAGE BRIX AT HARVEST	22.6
APPELLATION	Napa County 64% Sonoma County 36%	COOPERAGE	Stainless steel tanks (88%), neutral French oak barrels (10%), and concrete tanks (2%)
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Sauvignon Blanc		
HARVESTED	Aug. 8- Sept. 27, 2019	ALCOHOL	14.2%

*Recipes for pairings with a noted page number can be found in the latest edition of the Joy of Cooking.



The Joy of Wine

THE ROMBAUER FAMILY *Inspired by the wine movement of the 1970s in Napa Valley, Koerner and Joan Rombauer entered the wine business in 1976, then launched Rombauer Vineyards in 1980. As stewards of the land, the Rombauers have strived to produce the best wine an appellation, terroir and climate will achieve. The second and third generations are dedicated to continuing Koerner and Joan's vision.*

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