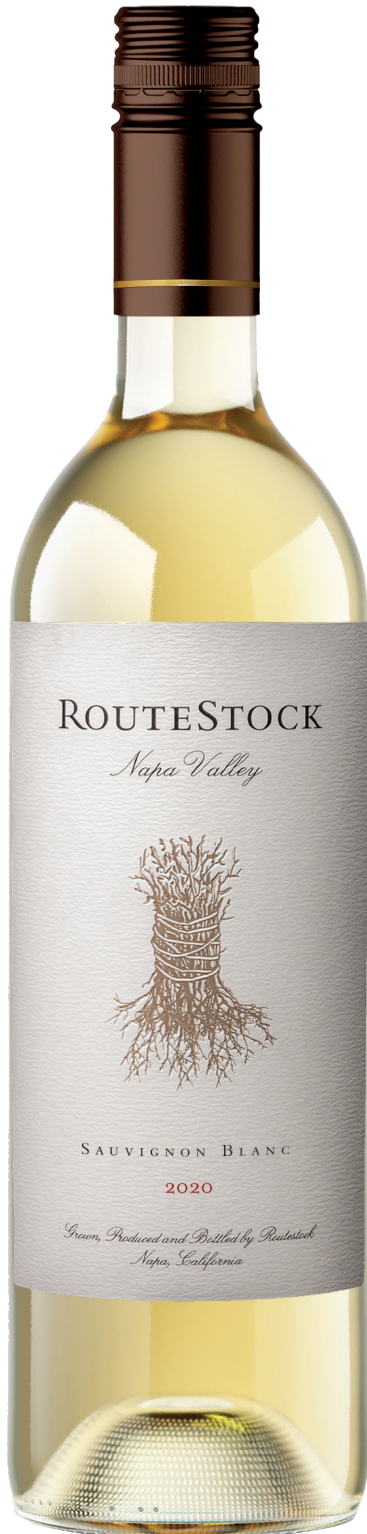


ROUTE STOCK

ROUTES WITH ROOTS – WINES OF PLACE.

SAUVIGNON BLANC, NAPA VALLEY

2020



INTRODUCTION

RouteStock is an invitation to discover the deep roots of winemaking in Napa and Sonoma, planted firmly at each step of your journey through our vineyard sites. Every glass tells the story of Napa and Sonoma's remarkable fine wine heritage, from the famous routes that wind between the vineyards, to the roots that produce its world-renowned grapes. An endeavor of enduring Napa-based importer Wilson Daniels, RouteStock is established as a product that consistently over-delivers in quality at a very attractive price point.

PHILOSOPHY

At the core of RouteStock is our commitment to sourcing great fruit from high-end vineyards along well-known routes in the Napa Valley. We partner with a select group of dedicated grape-growers in the best viticultural areas for each of our varietals and we work hand-in-hand with all our growers during the cultivation season. We practice minimal intervention in our winemaking to help the grapes show their true character, using native yeasts, natural malolactic fermentation, 100% barrel aging, and no chemical additions. Our intent is to let the grapes and vintage tell us what kind of wine they should be – we never try to force the wine into a specific mold, but rather serve as a guide on its journey.

SOURCING

Every RouteStock wine strives to balance the classic and the innovative, and this is especially true of the Sauvignon Blanc. This wine derives from two unique vineyards, one in Rutherford and the other in Carneros. During production, we increase the oxygen exposure of the juice during fermentation through a combination of stainless-steel tanks and concrete eggs to bring forward the subtle flavors that are too often hidden within this wonderful grape variety. Aging too is done in two methods, partially in used French oak and partially in concrete egg to add intricacy to the final blend. A sip of this Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc will be familiar, but also delightfully surprising.

2020 VINTAGE NOTES

2020 continued the trend of recent vintages with early bud-break, flowering and harvesting. The growing year was classic in all other respects with warm days and cool nights. A smaller crop certainly concentrated the flavors of all varietals, especially in this expressive Sauvignon Blanc from Napa Valley.

TASTING NOTES

An explosive nose of figs, honeydew melon and wild sage. The wine is expansive in the mouth with flavors of baked fig, nectarine, melon, and lanolin from the addition of Semillon. The wine is supple, rich, warm, and yet still quite crisp with wonderfully fresh acidity. The aftertaste lingers and lingers urging on the next sip!

VARIETAL COMPOSITION:

80% Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc, 20% Napa Valley Semillon

AGING:

7 months in 45% aged in 100% French oak: 8% new and 92% neutral;
35% in stainless steel; 20% in concrete egg

CASES PRODUCED:

997 (12/750ml)

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

pH: 3.36

TA: 5.71

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