

DARK HORSE[™] 2014 SAUVIGNON BLANC

At Dark Horse Wine, we wholeheartedly believe that fortune favors the bold. Winemaker Beth Liston marshals the best agricultural and winemaking resources from around the globe to deliver the unexpected: a bold wine that outperforms its price.

About the Wine

The most refreshing offering from Dark Horse, our Sauvignon Blanc offers bright aromas of grapefruit and gooseberry lined with fresh green notes. Layers of citrus and melon flavors create a crisp taste with medium viscosity and a long, refreshing finish.

Viticulture Notes

The grapes for this wine were selected from premier California vineyards by our Winemaker Beth Liston. Throughout the 2014 growing season, Beth visited these vineyards daily to determine which blocks would make it to the final blend. In 2014, Beth noted it was a dry and warm year, making canopy management key to allow just the right amount of sunlight on the berries, resulting in an ideal balance of flavor and acidity in the glass. Constant collaboration between Beth and our vineyard managers led to the deliciously ripe citrus flavors and a crisp minerality in this Sauvignon Blanc.

Winemaking Notes

In the cellar, we used gentle techniques to preserve the bright acidity and delicate fruit flavors of the Sauvignon Blanc grape, creating a delightfully crisp wine. Our subtle approach began in harvest, during which we picked the fruit in the cooler hours of the evening to preserve the perfect balance between acidity and fruit flavor. Similarly, fermentation occurred at cooler temperatures—around 55°F—with specially selected yeasts to enhance the aromatics and mouthfeel. All lots were aged in stainless steel tanks until bottling to preserve their brightness and balance.

Varietal Content:	77% Sauvignon Blanc, 16% Semillon, 3% Albariño,
	4% Select White Varieties
Varietal Origin:	California
Alcohol Level:	13.0%
Titratable Acidity:	0.70g/100ml
Residual Sugar:	0.30g/100ml
pH:	3.27

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