



FROG'S LEAP

2024 SAUVIGNON BLANC

RUTHERFORD NAPA VALLEY

A BRIEF HISTORY

"The 1981 Frog's Leap Sauvignon Blanc is what we feel a Sauvignon Blanc should be. It is a dry wine of substantial scale the carries itself well, as it retains a delicacy to complement food, not overwhelm." These are the words that we chose to introduce our Sauvignon Blanc—and in fact, our winery—to the world. In the 42 years that have passed since our debut vintage, we've stayed true to the ideals we laid out at the very beginning. Today the wine is still made from 100 percent Sauvignon Blanc grapes, farmed in such a way as to keep the alcohol low, the acidity high, and the flavors crisp, refreshing and complex.

The changes that we've made along the way have served to enhance the wine and reinforce our ideals: organically-certified and dry-farmed vineyards to deepen our connection with the soil; increasing amounts of estate-grown fruit, to allow us to fine-tune the vines to our liking; subtle changes to winemaking, designed to maintain freshness while adding depth and complexity. All of this has brought us forward in our primary pursuit: to make a Sauvignon Blanc that is so indicative of the place in which it is grown, that it could come from nowhere else. J.W.

ABOUT THE WINE

Ample winter rainfall and a mild summer set the table for a great vintage 2024. After years of drought and the exceptional—but extremely late—2023 vintage, 2024 was the first year in many to feel...normal? The thing is, normal is a beautiful feeling in Napa Valley. Our Sauvignon Blanc harvest began on time in the middle of August and proceeded in a steady rhythm, with plenty of morning fog each day to preserve the freshness of the fruit and keep acidities high. In some years, complications with the precise timing of fruit ripeness and looming heat waves can cause headaches as we finish picking SB and transition into the second phase of harvest, which is usually Zinfandel. In 2024, however, we got a chance to take a breath, finish that beer, and take stock mid-stream of just how exceptional a normal year can be.

2024 also marked a return to normal crop levels, after four straight below-average years, thanks to the resurgence of Galleron, our keystone SB vineyard. Galleron is always the most generous of our SB blocks, showing off just-ripe peach and apricot flavors that complement SB's classic notes of citrus and mineral. This complexity is given full force by our insistence on patience in the aging of the wine; rather than bottling our SB immediately after harvest, as is common in Napa, we give the wine a full 7 months on lees to tame the generic tutti-frutti and cut grass aromas that can dominate young SB. That time on lees also builds the umami of the wine, yielding a precise, fresh and complex wine with surprising depth. R.W.



THE BLEND

100% Sauvignon Blanc
Rutherford, Napa Valley AVA

35% Galleron Vineyard, Rutherford
27% Navone Vineyard, Rutherford
18% Williams Rossi Vineyard, Rutherford
10% Longwood Ranch, Napa
6% Chavez-Leeds Vineyard, Rutherford
4% Neighbor ranches to Rossi – Golubchik, Faherty, and Cummings Vineyards

THE VINES

Planted 1942 in deep gravelly loam.
Dry-farmed and certified organic.

STATISTICS

harvested: August 14 to August 30
at harvest: 21.6 deg. brix, 6.2 g/L TA, 3.30 pH
final: 13.2% alc., 6.0 g/L TA, 3.33 pH,
0.05% residual sugar, no malolactic fermentation
fermented & aged in stainless steel tanks
bottled: April 4 2025
17,760 cases and 504 3L bag-in-boxes

WINEMAKERS

John Williams
Rory Williams
Pablo Polanco

VINEYARDIST

Frank Leeds

BALANCE, RESTRAINT AND DEEP RESPECT FOR THE NATURAL EXPRESSION OF THE VINE