



Knights Bridge

2019 PONT DE CHEVALIER SAUVIGNON BLANC

KNIGHTS VALLEY, SONOMA

VINTAGE

The 2019 winegrowing season brought a record rainfall in winter, providing abundant groundwater for flowering. Spring followed with cool temperatures that allowed the grapes to mature gradually, supporting full flavors, fresh acidity, and superb balance. Summer was mild, with a brief heat spike that created the right amount of vine stress leading into the start of harvest in mid-August. In Knights Valley 2019 delivered light- to normal-size yields of outstanding fruit.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand-picked in the pre-dawn hours of September 24 and delicately pressed to preserve their broad range of aromatics and sense of peak freshness. The juice was cold settled for 48 hours to achieve clarity then racked clean to stainless steel for slow fermentation at cold temperatures to ensure bright, varietal character. Malolactic fermentation was inhibited and the finished wine aged for seven months in 90% stainless steel and 10% new French oak barrels prior to bottling.

TASTING

Made from a single selection of Musque clone, this wine is a reflection of our Knights Bridge vineyard and its distinct terroir. Crisp flavors of lemon, chamomile tea, and honeycomb are all supported by a vibrant minerality toward the finish. Old vines contribute to weight and texture, making this an especially full and caressing Sauvignon Blanc.

FOOD

The richness and fine texture of this wine pair well with sushi or denser fish like yellowtail, trout or haddock. It is a superb accompaniment to saffron risotto with scallops and adds a fine refreshing quality to a host of vegetable-based Asian cuisines like Thai curry.

AVA *Knights Valley*

VINEYARD *Knights Bridge Estate Vineyard*

BLOCKS *4B*

VARIETY *100% Sauvignon Blanc*

CLONE *Musque*

SOIL *Well-drained red clay loam*

HARVEST DATE *September 24, 2019*

COOPERAGE *7 months in 90% stainless steel,
10% new French oak*

ALCOHOL *14.5%*

PH *3.49*

TA *5.5 g/L*

BOTTLING DATE *April 8, 2020*

RELEASE DATE *June 1, 2020*

CELLARING *Drink now through 2024*

CASES *150*

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