

## 2012 . Red Mare Wines . Gamble Family Vineyard . Yountville . Napa Valley . Sauvignon Blanc

Our 2012 Sauvignon Blanc is full of fresh and clean aromas. We had a lovely 2012 growing season, which produced full flavors and beautiful balance. On the nose, this wine releases sweet lemongrass, dry hay, white grapefruit, and sweet tarts along with hints of baked apple and vanilla. In the mouth, it is full of flavors that match the nose and has a sparkling acidity that makes the mouth water and leads to a refreshing finish.

## 2012 Vintage Notes:

After three cool years, the warmer 2012 vintage was extremely welcome. The Wine Spectator described it as "An ideal season," and they were exactly right. There were no emergencies in 2012, no frost, no unexpected or unwanted rainfall, and no out of the ordinary heat events. It was undoubtedly the most gently paced, easy-going season in years. It was the kind of vintage that justifies Napa Valley's reputation as the home of great wines in America. 2012 felt as though we were finally back to normal. After the unusual years preceding it, everyone was exceedingly happy.

## Vineyard & Production Notes:

We have been sourcing our Sauvignon Blanc grapes from Tom Gamble's certified CCOF Organic Yountville vineyard site since 2010. We are fortunate to be able to source Clone 22 Sauvignon Blanc. It is an unusual clone, which gives lovely complexity in the mouth as well as classic clean aromas. Our block is full of big, round river stones and gravel sediment deposited by the Napa River over the last few thousand years, providing excellent drainage. This helps control vigor, allowing the vine to put energy into its grapes, rather than its leaves. Hand-sorted and gently whole-cluster pressed we let the juice settle for a day before putting it into neutral French oak barrels. The juice ferments and ages in these barrels until bottling.

Production: 404 cases

TA: 8.19 g/L pH: 3.18

Alc: 13.8%

Vineyard or Appellation Breakdown:

100% Gamble Family Vineyard 100% Yountville, Napa Valley

100% Neutral French Oak 100% Barrel Fermentation Our Sauvignon Blanc fruit is sourced from Tom Gamble's CCOF Certified Organically farmed vineyard near Yountville. We feel blessed to work with such wonderful fruit and such a meticulous farmer