



TALISMAN

2019 Pinot Blanc Dutton Ranch Russian River Valley

Talisman Winery is dedicated to the crafting of exquisite, soulful Pinot noirs that are true to their roots and accurately reflect the terroir and personality of their vineyard origin.

About the Talisman Logo

The Talisman logo is a stylized representation of a Native American medicine wheel. The elements of the medicine wheel represent the circle of life and the four directions, reminding us of our place in the universe. The rays around the medicine wheel represent the sun, which provides energy for life on Earth and ripens grapes, allowing us to revel in the pleasures of life, including fine wine.

Vineyards and Winemaking

We are incredibly excited to finally make a Pinot Blanc! Still in the Pinot family, we now have a beautiful, mineral, graceful white wine. This has long been a goal of owner/winemaker Scott Rich, though it took years to find the right vineyard. Dutton Ranch and the Dutton family, one of the most respected grape growing families since the 1960's, are dedicated to sustaining the land for future generations; the vineyards are farmed Sonoma County Sustainable and Certified Fish Friendly.

The 2019 growing season started a week or two later than usual with a wet spring, then followed by cool temperatures that allowed the grapes to mature gradually and develop full flavors with fresh acidity and superb balance.

Winemaking was simple, the fruit was gently pressed, the juice was racked off the grape solids the next day, then neutral French oak barrels were filled. After a week or so a native fermentation began and we kept our hands off! The wine was barrel aged for 14 months before bottling. That's it!

Tasting Notes

The bouquet is bright and welcoming, tauntingly enticing! Alluring aromas of honeydew, mineral, briar, honeysuckle, and a whisper of jasmine waft about. The mouthfeel is lively, bright and inviting, lush and smooth, crisp and textured with great acidity and gentle playful tannins. Flavors of pear and white peach linger on and on.

Details

Fermentation: feral yeast

Vineyard elevation: 140' above sea level

Alcohol: 13.7% by volume

pH: 3.44

Titrateable acidity: 5.0 g/L

Barrel aging: 14 months in neutral French oak

3 barrels; 75 cases produced