

Rock Wall

WINE COMPANY

2016

SPARKLING BLANC DE BLANCS

YOLO COUNTY

VINEYARD NOTES

Heringer Vineyard - The lovely Chardonnay and the vibrant Muscat Canelli both hail from our friends at Heringer Estates. Heringer Estates Vineyards and Winery is a family owned and operated vineyard management company and winery located in beautiful Clarksburg, CA. They are a progressive farming family with a performance history of integrity, sustainability and excellence spanning six generations. Their vineyard in Clarksburg is approximately 375 acres. The Heringer's are wonderful partners, and we're thrilled to be able to work with like-minded folks. Great wines require great grapes.

Production

As far as picking at the perfect brix level, we nailed the 2016. We picked this fruit on August 22nd, 2016 at 19.5 brix, which is ideal for an 11% alcohol sparkler with vibrant acidity. We pressed these lots together to co-ferment. We inoculated the juice with EC1118 and turned the chiller down to 42 degrees Fahrenheit, and a slow and healthy fermentation happened. We transferred this gorgeous wine to our sparkling bottling facility and re-inoculated with Pris de Mousse sparkling yeast to build up PSI. It was fermented in a sealed tank to capture the Co2 produced by the re-fermentation and to gain pressure. Once the PSI reached 70, we did the final dosage and bottled this beauty under pressure.

Winemaker Comments

I am very excited to present to you the 2016 Sparkling Blanc de Blancs. It is clean and perfectly balanced, and truly showcases all the gorgeous fruit flavors from the Chard and Muscat. Aromas of honeysuckle flower, Asian pear and Granny Smith apple greet your nose, followed by refreshing flavors of honeydew melon, white peach and orange blossom.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

APPELLATION

Yolo County

COMPOSITION

98% CHARDONNAY

2% MUSCAT CANELLI

ALCOHOL

11%

Residual Sugar:

0g/100ml

PH

3.21

TOTAL ACIDITY

0.85g / 100ml

BARRELS

100% Stainless Steel

CASES PRODUCED

1983

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April 2017

SUGGESTED RETAIL

\$22



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