

Rock Wall

WINE COMPANY

2016

SPARKLING BRUT

VINEYARD NOTES

SHRADER RANCH:

As a law professor at the University of British Columbia, Canada, Gordon Jahnke was fortunate enough to take a one year teaching sabbatical at the University of California, Berkeley. While there Gordon visited Mendocino County, and was taken by the beauty of the Ukiah Valley and the surrounding landscape. It was during that visit when Gordon decided he would someday own and live on a vineyard in Mendocino County. Gordon purchased the Schrader Ranch in 1993. At the time the majority of the 212-acre ranch was planted with pears. Over the next several years the property was replanted with grape vines.

PRODUCTION

We picked the Pinot Blanc fruit on September 10th, 2016. We pressed the fruit and fermented the Pinot Blanc juice in stainless steel using Pris de Mousse EC1118 yeast. We fermented the wine at 50 degrees Fahrenheit to encourage a very slow fermentation to keep the fruit flavors intact. After a healthy 40-day fermentation, we transferred the wine to a topped up tank and allowed it to sit on the yeast for 10 months. Once it tasted delicious and had mature yeast flavors we started the re-fermentation process. We transferred this gorgeous wine to our sparkling wine 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 90, we bottled this beauty under pressure.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

This sophisticated bubbly has aromas of cucumber, cantaloupe, tangerine and white pepper followed by dry and refreshing flavors of pumpkin spice macadamia nut, freshly baked bread and a lemon meringue finish.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

APPELLATION

Mendocino County

COMPOSITION

98% Pinot Blanc
2% Riesling

ALCOHOL

11%

pH

3.37

TOTAL ACIDITY

0.66g / 100ml

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 0 g/100ml

BARRELS

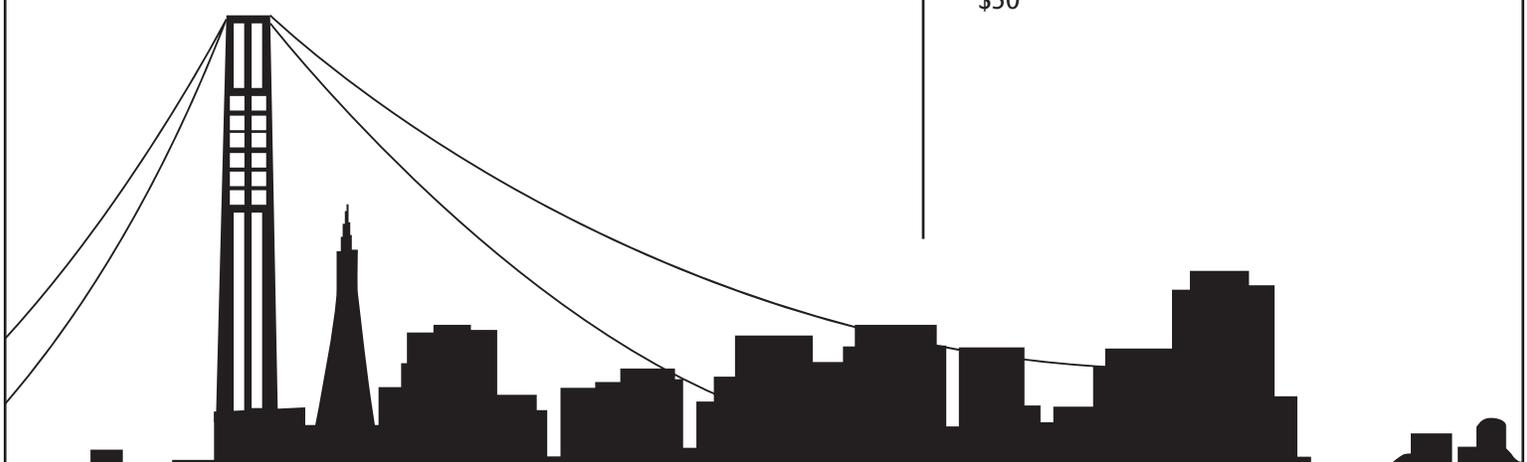
100% Stainless Steel Tank

RELEASE DATE

November 2017

SUGGESTED RETAIL

\$30



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