

2021 Chenin Blanc

Marine Terraces Santa Cruz Mountains

Planted near Corralitos less than 8 miles from the coast by a friend with feet on the ground in the Santa Cruz Mountains, we are thrilled to have this vineyard as part of our line-up. Heritage cuttings from an old California property were utilized to great success and after one taste we think you will agree that this young site is just scratching the surface of its potential. Some trademark issues with owner's name being used by a well-known norcal winery forced us to get creative with the name of this vineyard. We chose Marine Terraces as this is the soil series that the grapes are rooted in and it seemed to really convey the spirit of the place.

100% Chenin Blanc
100% Marine Terraces
100% Whole Cluster Pressed
Ambient yeasts
Fermented in Stainless Steel, new Austrian Oak and neutral French Oak barrels
Aged in 70% neutral French Oak Barrels for 10 months
Aged in 30% new Austrian Oak Barrels (Stockinger) for 10 months
Free So2 @ Bottling – 11ppm
3.40 pH
12.5% Alc By Vol

Tasting Note:

Concentrated and intense, fruit and minerality. Lemon, gunflint and wet stones and a red and blue neon sign the reads open. Pulsing with life and energy this lovely Chenin Blanc is gorgeous now with that flinty reduction indicating that it should really improve for at least another 3-5 years, should you resist drinking all of yours right away. More delineated and precise than the Lyman Ranch this wine is brighter and fresher with a coastal coolness to it.