



Accendo  
Cellars

Napa Valley  
**SAUVIGNON BLANC**  
2019

*“A blend of Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon and Sauvignon Musqué, this compelling wine is complex and fine, showing depth and nuance and should be tasted and then left in the glass to evolve through its multiple aspects of fruit, minerality, creaminess and brightness.”*

- Françoise Peschon, winemaker

**TASTING NOTES**

Enticing aromas of honeydew melon, lemon confit, grapefruit and lime rise from the glass, touched by notes of talcum powder, mint and wild thyme. On the palate, the wine is rich, round, opulent and creamy with a strong mineral finish that prolongs the flavors with a lingering freshness.

**PHILOSOPHY**

The wine is powerful, yet it possesses a delicacy and artfulness that can only come with a winemaking philosophy that honors the integrity of the fruit and the vineyard's terroir. We give this wine extra time in barrel and bottle prior to each release, resulting in an exquisitely balanced Sauvignon Blanc that is aromatically complex, concentrated in flavor and richly textured – a wine influenced by both a Graves from Bordeaux and a Sauvignon Blanc from the New World.

**VINEYARDS**

Our Sauvignon Blanc is sourced from two uniquely different but complementary sites: Rancho Pequeño in Oakville and Ryan's Vineyard in Oak Knoll. At Accendo Cellars, we work with owners and growers who sustainably farm their land and believe, as we do, that great wines are made in the vineyard. The vineyards we source today are a testament to that belief, and share some common characteristics:

- Unique terroir, with signature characteristics, found only at that site
- Consistency of the fruit every year
- Ability to produce high quality in challenging vintages

**VINTAGE NOTES**

The 2019 growing season began with copious rainfall during the winter months that kept temperatures on the mild side and helped refill reservoirs and recharge groundwater basins. Unusually high amounts of rain in May made getting tractors into the vineyards a challenge and delayed budbreak for several weeks. Finally, warmer weather arrived in June and as crews opened up the rapidly growing canopies, the new grape clusters revealed themselves to be a normal set. Summer remained mild and vines ripened their crop without environmental stress, while cool evenings in September kept acidities fresh.

**VARIETAL BLEND**

68% Sauvignon Blanc, 17% Semillon, and 15% Sauvignon Musqué

**HAND HARVESTED**

September 7th - 12th

**WINEMAKING**

Whole cluster pressed, fermented and aged sur lie with weekly batonnage in new and used French oak barrels, concrete eggs and stainless steel drums.

**ALCOHOL**

14.2%

**PRODUCTION**

930 cases



**ACCOLADES**

94pts | **vinous**

93+ pts |   
WINE ADVOCATE



DIAMOND MOUNTAIN  
(FORMERLY REVERIE ESTATE),  
DIAMOND MOUNTAIN

ECOTONE VINEYARD,  
NAPA VALLEY

Napa Valley, CA

TERRAVINA VINEYARD,  
NAPA VALLEY

RANCHO PEQUEÑO,  
OAKVILLE

- SAUVIGNON BLANC
- SEMILLON
- SAUVIGNON MUSQUÉ

VINE HILL RANCH,  
OAKVILLE

M-BAR RANCH,  
OAKVILLE

SLEEPING LADY VINEYARD,  
YOUNTVILLE

RYAN'S VINEYARD,  
OAK KNOLL

- SAUVIGNON BLANC
- SEMILLON



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ACCENDO (Latin, Verb):  
TO ILLUMINATE, TO INSPIRE, TO AROUSE

Accendo Cellars is: the Araujo Family's wine brand, made by two generations working together with their longstanding team to honor the winemaking and family heritage of Napa Valley.

The wines of Accendo Cellars are inspired by Napa Valley's early modern era—the 1950s, 60s and 70s—derived from grapevines rooted in some of the finest vineyard sites and nurtured by growers devoted to the land. The Accendo wines express the nobility and purity of the terroir the Araujos have long admired about this region.