

KAMEN
ESTATE WINES

Ripe fruit. Low yields. High quality.

THE 2013 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Thirty five years ago when Phil Coturri and I planted my vineyard we focused on one thing, growing the very best Cabernet Sauvignon the land could produce.

Years later, as people began to ask that I do wine dinners centered around our wines, I realized that I had no white wine grown on the Estate to serve for the first course.

So I decided to grow white wine.

The question was: what white wine to grow?

When I presented this to our wine maker, Mark Herold, he said:

“think of the white wine you most like to drink and plant that.”

Well that turned out to be a no brainer, because my favorite white wines, the ones I reach for first, are the Sauvignon Blanc based wines of Sancerre and Bordeaux.

Seven years later, we are releasing our fourth vintage of a Sauvignon Blanc I am very proud of; a wine that can be thrilling when enjoyed in the vibrancy of its youth, or cellared and savored for years to come. I hope that our 2013 Sauvignon Blanc is the bottle you reach for when you ask yourself: “what white wine shall I drink tonight?”

Cheers,

Robert Mark Kamen
PROPRIETOR





WINEGROWING INFORMATION

At the very beginning of the 2013 growing season, strong almost constant north winds blew through the vineyard from bud break right through bloom. Coupled with the drought conditions we have experienced in the last few years and warmer than usual temperatures, our vines in this vintage yielded small, intense clusters of fruit. The results were concentrated, focused flavors and rich, appealing aromatics.

Eisele vineyard cuttings of Sauvignon Blanc and Sauvignon Musqué were introduced to our vineyard in 2008. The exceptional soil drainage, fractured volcanic rock without ceilings of ash on Kamen Estate create the perfect spot for growing these varietals.

TASTING NOTES

This concentrated Sauvignon Blanc has expressive notes of kiwi, guava, pink grapefruit, lemon zest, and white peach. Layers of honeysuckle, wet stone, and Bosc pear skin add further dimension to the aromatic profile. The mouth is an intense expression of mountain Sauvignon Blanc with vibrant acidity and textured minerality. Giving lift and length, the acidity carries the wine to a long, lasting, and flavorful finish. This wine should drink wonderfully over the next 8–10 years.

Vineyard Information

100% Estate Grown Sauvignon Blanc and Sauvignon Musqué
Southern Mayacamas Mountains Elevation 1100–1450 ft.
Moon Mountain District, Certified Organic & Biodynamic Vineyards

Production and Technical Data

Alcohol: 14.4%
Production: 500 cases
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