

**VINTAGE**  
2015

**APPELLATION**  
Sonoma County

**VARIETAL**  
Sauvignon Blanc

**COOPERAGE**  
36% older French oak barrels  
64% stainless steel tanks



#### **TASTING NOTES**

Ferrari-Carano's 2015 Fumé Blanc is a delicious wine with aromas and flavors of pink grapefruit, pineapple, lemon grass, lychee, kiwi, honey dew, orange blossom, guava, white peach and lemon-lime with a touch of minerality. This wine has bright acidity and crisp freshness from the cool, stainless steel tank fermentation, while the subtle oak character from neutral French oak barrels adds body, complexity and depth.

#### **VINTAGE NOTES**

2015, like 2014, was another drought year in California, though rainfall totals were closer to normal than they had been in previous years. The growing season began early, with bud break in mid-February, moderate to cool temperatures through spring and warm weather in July and August. This allowed the fruit to mature and ripen at a perfect pace, with the last Sauvignon Blanc grapes being picked on September 17, 2015.

#### **WINEMAKER NOTES**

This wine is a blend of Sauvignon Blanc grapes from various appellations in Sonoma County — Dry Creek, Alexander and Russian River Valleys. When the Sauvignon Blanc grapes arrive at the winery, each lot is gently crushed and pressed into stainless steel tanks for 48 hours of cold settling. The juice is either transferred to stainless steel tanks or older French oak barrels for fermentation. The wine in barrels is sur lie aged and stirred every week for 10 weeks. Individual lots are handled separately until final blending.

#### **FOOD PAIRINGS**

Our Fumé Blanc pairs well with simple seafood and poultry dishes, and also holds up nicely with white meats such as veal and pork. This wine has lively flavors that go well with spicy and ethnic cuisines such as Japanese, Vietnamese, Thai, Chinese, Korean, Mexican and Southwestern dishes.

#### **WINE INFORMATION**

Bottled: February 2016 | Released: Summer 2016 | Alcohol/pH/TA: 13.8%/3.29/.57



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