



2020 PINOT BLANC

Our Reserve wines emphasize their uniqueness featuring superior vineyard sites, distinct winemaking techniques, and diverse grape varieties.



ACCOLADES

VARIETY:	100% Pinot Blanc.
VINEYARD:	Sawmill Creek Vineyard.
VINIFICATION:	De-Stemmed. Direct Press.
VESSEL:	Stainless Steel. Temperature Controlled.
ÉLEVAGE:	Unoaked. 5 Months Lees Aging.
ANALYSIS:	11.6% Alc, 13.8 g/L (1.3%) R.S., 3.19 pH, 6.7 g/L TA.
PRODUCTION:	122 Cases.

VINTAGE

Hot and dry is a great way to describe the 2020 growing season. The trend of late bud break continues, beginning in mid-May. A month later in mid-June, most varieties began flowering and fruit set. Between bud break and fruit set, it was warm and dry with only considerable rainfall a handful of times. This allowed the bunches to fertilize properly. Throughout the growing season we were blessed with hot and dry conditions. This kept disease pressure very low. Luckily, our old vines are able to withstand drought conditions. The warm and dry weather continued into the fall allowing us to fully ripen grapes well into October. The 2020 vintage was one of the best years in recent memory.

VINEYARD

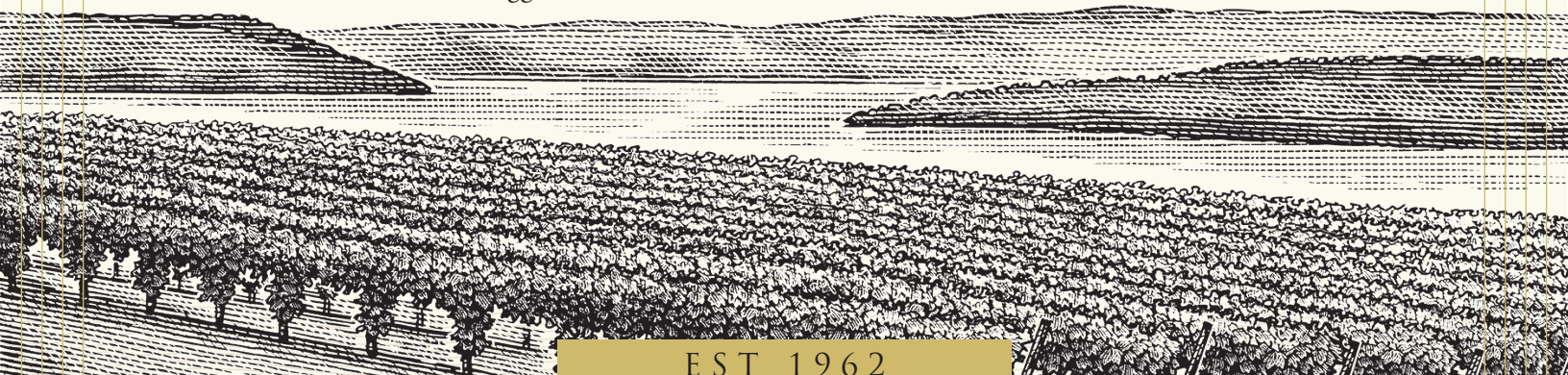
Pinot Blanc is one of the few grape varieties that we do not grow on our estate vineyards. For generations, we have worked with Sawmill Creek Vineyards. Located on the "Banana Belt" on the east side of Seneca Lake, the vineyard receives the greatest amount of sun coupled with a location that is nearest the deepest parts of Seneca Lake, thereby having a greater impact on temperature. Grapes grown here exhibit more tropical flavors – a consequence of greater ripeness.

THE WINE

Delicate and deceiving with melon, lemon, baked red apple, and a hint of beeswax. It's ripe and rich in the mouth with lemon curd, apricot, ginger, and white flowers with a long-lasting creamy texture.

FOOD PAIRING

Scallops, Salmon, Turkey (Roasted), Chicken (Roasted or as a Salad), Goat Cheeses, Egg Dishes, Salads, Mushrooms



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