

2015 J. LOHR ESTATES FLUME CROSSING SAUVIGNON BLANC

ARROYO SECO MONTEREY



VINTAGE

The 2015 vintage was a very low rainfall year with a cool spring and warm summer. The early spring budbreak advanced vine growth by two to three weeks and created the anticipation of an early harvest. While the warm summer weather was balanced by summer winds, we began Sauvignon Blanc fruit sampling in mid-August as flavors were developing. Harvesting started in early September from our different blocks, allowing us to selectively pick through a range of flavor profiles, from fresh-cut green pepper to grapefruit and passion fruit.

VINEYARDS

The grapes for the J. Lohr Estates Flume Crossing Sauvignon Blanc are grown in the well-drained, sandy, cobblestone soils deposited by the Arroyo Seco River. These rugged soils keep yields in check and produce fruit with varietal intensity, minerality and exceptional weight. The long cool growing season of the Arroyo Seco appellation ensures that the fleeting, exotic fruit flavors of Sauvignon Blanc are retained along with vibrant natural acidity. The Flume Crossing Sauvignon Blanc is created to be an expression of pure varietal character, influenced only by its terroir and gently guided by minimal farming and winemaking practices.

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

The 2015 Flume Crossing Sawignon Blanc is pale straw yellow in color and offers bright aromas of tangerine, passion fruit, mango, daffodil and green pepper. These complex aromatics are found on the palate as well, with key lime refreshing acidity. The lively fresh fruit flavors are complemented by the rich texture of the acacia oak on the finish.

-Kristen Barnhisel, winemaker, white wine

FOOD PAIRINGS

Serve with seared scallops sautéed in citrus butter and tarragon, sushi, or as an aperitif with warm toasts and goat cheese.

TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: Arroyo Seco AVA,

Monterey County, CA

COMPOSITION (BLEND): 100% Sauvignon Blanc

HARVEST DATES: September 10 to

September 15, 2015

BRIX AT HARVEST: 26.0° Brix avg

VINIFICATION:

MATURATION: Aged 5 months in puncheon barrel, stainless barrel, and stainless tank

BARREL TYPE: New and used acacia barrels; stainless steel barrels

BOTTLING CHEMISTRIES:

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TOTAL ACIDITY: 0.68 g/100ml

ALCOHOL: 13.85% by volume

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 0.45 g/100ml

CELLARING: Delicious now and will gain complexity over the next two years.

WINE LIST DESCRIPTION

A crisp, well-balanced Sauvignon Blanc with aromas of passion fruit, mango and bell pepper, with lively acidity and a textured finish.

