

CLUB CRUSH WHITE *January Shipment (#1 - 2017)*

AUTEUR **2013 CHARDONNAY** **SONOMA COAST, CALIFORNIA**

Founded in 2003 by husband and wife team Kenneth and Laura Juhasz, this boutique winery has gone from strength to strength. Their early vintages were good, but the most recent ones have been consistently exceptional. The small lot wines harness the talent and determination of Kenneth Juhasz's vision, distinct in their preparation and respectful of their place. The focus on the might and grace of each vineyard creates a unique juxtaposition to Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Blending the distinguishing strengths of tiny high-altitude grown berries, rogue muscular tannins, and a classic mineral vein of ancient coastal soils - this is what inspires them and keeps their craftsmanship fresh and alive.



A mineral-driven selection of 'Old Wente' clone from two of the best growing regions for Chardonnay: Dutton Ranch in Green Valley and Sangiacomo's Green Acres Vineyard in Carneros. Each vineyard's climate produces naturally low yielding, small tight clusters combined with the distinguished expansive clonal characteristics of Old Wente. Whole cluster pressed, native primary fermentation with no malolactic fermentation, aged sur lie with batonnage in 30% new lightly toasted tight grain French oak with 75% aged in neutral French cooperage for one year.

TASTING NOTES: Captivating and sophisticated, preserved Meyer lemon, crushed wet stone, fresh ginger, orange blossom and lime zest upfront and impressively fashioned by a voluptuous nectarine, hazelnut and crème brulee palate. Opulent with an expansive, charismatic finish. A superior everyday white.

Composition: 100% Chardonnay

Production: 350 cases

Regular Price. . . . \$34.99 CLUB CRUSH PRICE. . . . \$31.49

ARROW & BRANCH **2014 SAUVIGNON BLANC** **NAPA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA**

Arrow & Branch proprietors Steve and Seanne Contursi share a great love for the wines of Bordeaux, particularly those produced with a large quantity of Cabernet Franc, such as Château Cheval Blanc. They sought out their Coombsville vineyard property with an eye to producing top-quality Bordeaux blend wines from Napa Valley.

One of the rising stars of Napa Valley winemaking, Jennifer Williams, was named Winemaker for Arrow & Branch in April 2011. Jennifer takes the reigns at Arrow&Branch from Winemaker extraordinaire, Helen Keplinger, who recently accepted the winemaking position at Bryant Family Vineyards. After years of working with and learning from legendary winemakers such as Rosemary Cakebread, Francoise Peschon and the Novak family, Jennifer now brings her outstanding talents and experience to Arrow & Branch.



TASTING NOTES: The 2014 Sauvignon Blanc vibrates with energy and verve. Sourced from two superb Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc vineyards, the blend is mineral, bright and focused with a hint of pleasant sweetness and ever-present fruit. The touch of new French Oak adds just a hint of clove and gingerbread, and a bit of honey. The finish is mouth-watering and reminiscent of oranges and rocks.

Composition: 100% Sauvignon Blanc

Regular Price. . . . \$32.99 CLUB CRUSH PRICE. . . . \$29.69
