

2013 SAUVIGNON BLANC
napa valley

In 1983, Tony Peju bought thirty acres of vines in the famed Rutherford district of the Napa Valley. Since then, the Peju family has maintained a meticulous focus on the vineyard, which has grown to include a proactive approach to sustainability and environmental consciousness. That long-standing commitment and respect for the grapes can be tasted with each sip of these balanced and elegant wines. Still family-owned and operated with daughters Lisa and Ariana poised to take the helm, Peju winery has become an integral piece of the Napa Valley landscape.

VINEYARD

Peju's Rutherford Estate is a California Certified Organic vineyard, and is planted primarily with Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. The winery's two additional properties, located in Pope Valley and Calistoga, are both Certified Sustainable vineyards. At Persephone Ranch in Pope Valley, the climate is suited to grow Sauvignon Blanc, as well as Zinfandel, Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, and Merlot. Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot are grown on the Wappo Vineyard in Calistoga. Drawing from such varied terroir, the wines exhibit the perfect blend of mountain-fruit focus and Rutherford complexity.

VINTAGE

Napa Valley showcased textbook weather for grape growing in 2013. The year started off with healthy winter rains which led into a warm, dry spring, and brought an early bud break with ideal growing conditions. The extended heat spike in early July made summer temperatures consistently warm, allowing the grapes to mature steadily and develop complex flavors. Our fruit is balanced of acidity and sugar, good color and tannin structure, and optimal flavor development. Winemaker Sara Fowler describes the year as "beautiful, balanced and delicious."

TASTING

This Sauvignon Blanc jumps out of the glass—pineapple, passion fruit, grapefruit and lychee are all very prominent on the nose. The palate offers more lush fruit and bright acidity with notes of creamy lemon tart, guava and apricot with a fresh, clean finish.

APPELLATION
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VINEYARD
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COMPOSITION
100% sauvignon blanc

COOPERAGE
5% neutral french oak

ALCOHOL
13.8%

TA
7.3 g/l

PH
3.07

HARVEST DATE
august 2013

BOTTLING DATE
december 2013

RELEASE DATE
january 2014

CELLARING
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