



# ESSER WINES

## 2013 SAUVIGNON BLANC

MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, USA

### WINEMAKING

2013 turned out to be an almost picture perfect year with ample winter and spring rains. After a good set the summer temperatures were moderate with no prolonged heat spikes. Cool afternoon breezes from the Pacific allowed the grapes to mature evenly attaining full flavors, ideal sugar levels as well as bright acidity. The sustainably-farmed fruit came from the best blocks of the cool Riverview and the warmer Viento vineyards. The grapes were harvested at dawn and transported for whole cluster pressing with minimal skin contact. The two varietals were fermented separately in stainless steel tanks without any malolactic fermentation. The final blend was determined only after a number of trial blends with the addition of Semillon from the Viento Vineyard.

### COLOR

Pale straw with brilliant clarity.

### AROMA

Expressing passion fruit and figs, with bright aromas of citrus and melon flavors.

### PALATE

Fresh, crisp and lively on the palate. Flavors of tropical fruits including gooseberries, figs, lemon, lime and honeydew melon are followed by a crisp finish with good length.

Blend: 94% Sauvignon Blanc, 6% Semillon  
Appellation: Monterey County  
Alcohol: 13.5%  
Residual Sugar: 7.4 g/L  
Acidity: 5.0 meq/L  
ph: 3.33

### 2012 AWARDS

**WINEENTHUSIAST BEST BUY, 86 Point**

**Double Silver International / National Medals**

### 2013 AWARDS

**Beverage Tasting Institute GOLD MEDAL & BEST BUY, 90 Point**



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