

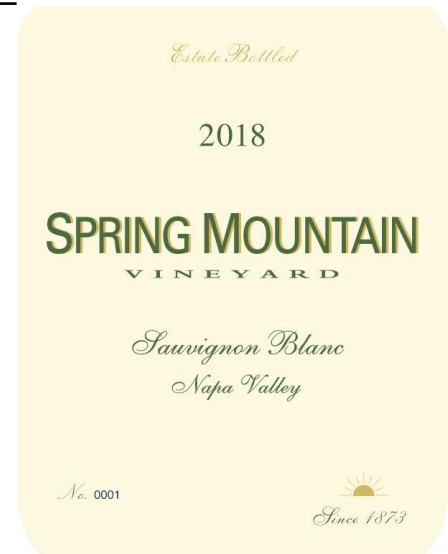


SPRING MOUNTAIN

VINEYARD

2018 Sauvignon Blanc

- Appellation:** Estate grown & bottled - Napa Valley
Spring Mountain District
- Assemblage:** Sauvignon Blanc 98%, Semillon 2%
- Harvest Dates:** September 7th – 11th, 2018
- Fermentation:** Primary fermentation in French oak barrels;
no malolactic fermentation
- Elevage:** Sur-lie ageing with batonnage for 9 Months
- Bottled:** August 2019
- Release:** April 2020



Tasting Notes

The 2018 Sauvignon Blanc jumps out of the glass with enticing floral, citrus and flinty mineral aromas. On the palate, the entry is focused and bright with notes of mandarin, stone fruit, and gooseberry while the mid palate shows the weight and viscosity of a finely balanced Sauvignon blanc. Elegant floral and peach notes complement the richness and complexity from the sur-lie ageing while the fresh acidity leaves a pleasant lingering finish.

2018 Vintage

2018 brought another stellar growing season to Spring Mountain Vineyards. Drier than normal conditions through the 2017-2018 winter caused some concerns but February and March rainfall totals filled reservoirs with ample water for the warmer summer months approaching. Both Bud break and flowering occurred slightly later than average but with near perfect conditions resulting in good cluster set and a strong crop load. Summer months brought more ideal ripening conditions with moderate heat and without major heat spikes. Harvest began with Sauvignon blanc on September 7th and finished with some Cabernet Sauvignon on November 6th. Crop yields were on par with recent years but the extended hangtime allowed for great flavor and phenolic development creating wines with great depth, power and balance.

SMV Sauvignon Blanc

Since 1993, our estate grown Sauvignon Blanc has been styled along the lines of fine white Bordeaux. The grapes are whole cluster pressed and the juice is cold settled overnight before being moved to neutral French oak barrels where fermentation takes place. The new wine is kept in barrel sur-lie for several months, occasionally stirred (batonnage) to marry the wine's bright fruit flavors and acidity with the rich, yeasty elements provided by lees contact. This classic method produces a balanced, complex wine.

About Spring Mountain Vineyard

Over fifty years, Spring Mountain Vineyard has gained a reputation for the classic Bordeaux varieties, grown organically in 19th century vineyards high above the Napa Valley. The unmatched beauty and diversity of the estate vineyard reveal authentic terroir in wines of structure, grace and longevity. Only estate grown and bottled wines are produced from 225 acres planted to vine.