

# SIMON

FAMILY ESTATE



VINTAGE: 2022

VARIETY: 100%  
SAUVIGNON BLANC

APPELLATION:  
100% RUTHERFORD

HARVEST DATE:  
08.22.22

FERMENTATION:  
5-6 WEEKS IN OAK

PRODUCTION:  
170 CASES

AGING:  
18 MONTHS IN 50%  
NEW FRENCH OAK  
BARRELS

COOPERAGES:  
ERMITAGE,  
STOCKINGER

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

PH: 3.13 TA: 7.7G/L

RELEASE:  
MARCH 2025

SRP: \$100

## 2022 GOLDEN ORE SAUVIGNON BLANC NAPA VALLEY

From the outset, Proprietor Sam Simon and winemaker Maayan Koschitzky agreed that the Golden Ore Sauvignon Blanc—Simon Family Estate’s only white wine—would be approached with the same level of precision and investment with which the red wines were crafted. It is with this standard in mind that we express every vintage of the Golden Ore, comprised of 100% Sauvignon Blanc from McGah Family Vineyard in Rutherford.

After three years of drought, the Napa Valley received much needed rainfall at the end of 2021 and into early 2022. Budbreak occurred earlier than usual, and despite occasional heat spikes during the summer, the growing season for white varieties was generally smooth. The 2022 Golden Ore Sauvignon Blanc was harvested well before the Labor Day heat wave arrived.

The 2022 vintage is exceptionally expressive on the nose, with aromas of freshly picked white peach, Charentais melon, sage, lemon zest, and acacia flower. Electric on the palate, with vibrant freshness balanced by a silken texture. A wine of equal power and elegance, with just a kiss of oak and citrus and salinity driving the long finish.

*"Barrel fermented and aged, the 2022 Sauvignon Blanc has a richer, more serious style in its ripe lemon curd, toasted spice, and honeyed flower-like aromatics." -Jeb Dunnuck, 94 points*

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