



HILL FAMILY
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2010 Napa Valley Sauvignon Blanc

Production: 495 cases

Composition: 95% Sauvignon Blanc, 5% Semillon

Vineyards: 46% Windy Flats, 41% Watson, 8% Baker and 5% Alsace

Appellation: Napa Valley 100%

Elevation: 350 ft.-1200 ft.

Cooperage: 85% stainless and 15% neutral oak

Alcohol: 14.5%, TA 0.51, pH 3.40

Retail: \$22.00

Release Date: April 2011

The 2010 Hill Family Estate Sauvignon Blanc captures everything that is gorgeous about Sauvignon Blanc – bright, crisp, and fruity, the 2010 vintage bursts with flavor, a lush mouth feel, and the clean finish characteristic of the varietal.

In a challenging growing season, marked by uncharacteristically cool summer days, a 114 degree heat spike, and early autumn rains, Hill Family Estate managed to craft a Sauvignon Blanc of unusual dimension and complexity by blending smaller lots from several of our Napa Valley estates.

The Sauvignon Blanc from Windy Flats Vineyard in the western foothills of Wooden Valley provided the highest Brix for the blend and delivers sweetness and floral aromatics. From Watson Vineyard, a cool hillside in American Canyon, we get crispness and flavors of grapefruit and fig. The volcanic outcroppings of stony Atlas Peak lend an intense, concentrated flavor while a small addition of Semillon from the warm, sunny flats of Oakville, deliver a lush, rounded mouth feel, a welcome softening of the sometimes sharp acidity of Sauvignon Blanc.

Winemaker Alison Doran's Tasting Notes: The nose has a bright, bouncy peach and vanilla character, with gooseberry, lime peel, melon and elder flower notes. The palate is crisp and clean, with classic lychee nut and nectarine flavors. The finish is rich and smooth with long lingering white peach notes.