



FLORA SPRINGS



WINEMAKER NOTES

Flora Springs Soliloquy is named for our proprietary Sauvignon Blanc clone, an outstanding and singular clone which is entirely unique to Flora Springs. Planted in our Crossroads Vineyard in the Oakville AVA, the clone was certified in the late 1980s by UC Davis as distinct from more common Sauvignon Blanc clones in Napa Valley. The clone nearly went extinct when our vines became diseased and had to be pulled. It took eight long years – three in a lab, two in a nursery and three in the ground – but our family was able to protect and preserve this precious clone. After that, General Manager Nat Komes took Soliloquy on as a personal project, conducting numerous blending trials over a three-year period to re-create the Soliloquy wine he and his family remember so fondly. Today, Soliloquy represents our quest to create the finest white wine we have ever made, a singular white and a worthy companion to our proprietary red wine, Trilogy.

Our Sauvignon Blanc-based 2020 Soliloquy is a complex, multi-layered blend of white varietals offering evocative notes of pomelo, lime blossom, apple, hazelnut and stone fruit. Sauvignon Blanc anchors the wine with bold flavor, zesty acidity and serious weight, while the Chardonnay rounds out the blend with a creamy leesy quality. The Malvasia brings alluring citrus and floral notes. Soliloquy is an impressive, crowd pleasing wine that can handle Saturday night dinner parties with boldly flavored foods such as shrimp fra diavolo, fried calamari, grilled chicken skewers or cavatelli pasta with pesto.

ALL THE FACTS

Appellation: *Oakville*

Varietal: *Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay, Malvasia*

Cases Produced: *550*

Suggested Retail Price: *\$50*

Enjoyability: *Drink now through 2023 for optimum enjoyment!*

ON THE VINE

The 2020 Napa Valley growing season began with a warm, dry winter, with no appreciable rain until the end of March. A mild spring season gave the vines a healthy start, and summer brought very cool mornings and warm days. This build-up to harvest was interrupted by two wildfires as we turned to the fall; The LNU Complex Fire started on August 17th and the Glass Fire started on September 27. At Flora Springs our white wine harvest began in early August, and the wines reflect a fine vintage year. Although smaller than usual, we were also able to move forward with red wine vinification from several of our vineyards. While the 2020 Napa Valley harvest was challenging, we are committed to bottling wines only of the highest quality.