

# CHATEAU ST JEAN

## 2019 BLANC DE NOIRS

BENOIST RANCH

SONOMA COAST

Our roots are in Sonoma County. We have made wines from the region's diverse vineyards for over 50 years, starting in 1973. A fine wine estate with European style, we are proud to produce balanced and elegant wines, a hallmark of Chateau St. Jean. Our single-vineyard and blend expressions celebrate Sonoma County's distinctive, world-class growing region, and the special vineyard sites in which our grapes are grown.

### VINEYARDS

Grapes for this wine were selected from the Benoist Ranch, a premium, cool-climate vineyard from which we've sourced fruit for over a decade. Tucked away in the far northwest corner of Carneros, the vineyard's topography is ideally suited for concentrated pinot noir and chardonnay with good acid retention, with its cool, maritime-influenced climate and rocky, volcanic soils.

### VINTAGE

The 2019 growing season started later than usual in many California wine regions. A wet spring followed by cool temperatures allowed the grapes to mature gradually. Cool temperatures continued throughout the growing season resulting in longer hang time and lower sugar yields. Vintners are praising the full flavors, fresh acidity and superb balance of the 2019 vintage.

### TASTING NOTES

Our Blanc de Noirs opens with aromas of lemon zest, rounded out by soft vanilla and a hint of tart cherry. On the palate, a creamy mouthfeel and perfectly balanced acidity carry this classic through the persistent finish. Fresh oysters, ahi tartare or lemon meringue complement this sparkling beautifully.

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APPELLATION

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VARIETAL

Pinot Noir, Chardonnay

PROCESS

Méthode Traditionnelle: On triage for 3.5 years prior to disgorging

ALCOHOL

14.9%

