

2018 Napa Valley Estate Virtú

St. Supéry Estate Vineyards and Winery is a 100% Estate Grown, sustainably farmed winery committed to producing the highest quality estate wines without compromise. Virtú, a blend of Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc, offers a seamless integrity and depth found only in great wines. The wine's name comes from the ancient Italian word for virtue which, during the Renaissance, was used to signify artistic skill. Today, it means excellence with slight overtones of purity or even saintliness.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES Brilliant pale yellow hues present this white blend. Aromas offer notes of pink grapefruit, lemon butter, and kiwi with an undercurrent of seductive toasted French oak. Flavors of kumquat, lemongrass, grapefruit zest, and dried peaches are focused and encouraged with the hint of creamy, toasted oak. This is a terrific wine with great texture.

VINTAGE 2018 The 2018 growing season started with a relatively mild winter and spring. We had decent rain in early and mid-January, almost none in February, and more rain in March and April which filled our lakes and kicked off the growing season. After a warm July, August saw markedly cooler temperatures absent of heat spikes, followed by ideal weather in September and October. Harvest continued through November because of the ideal weather enabling the fruit to stay on the vine with no pressure from Mother Nature.

The sémillon and sauvignon blanc grapes were harvested in the cool morning hours to preserve their delicate flavors. The fruit was received in the cellar, pressed to tank and immediately chilled and settled prior to fermentation. The fermentation was completed with part in tank and part in the barrel at cool temperatures to maintain and enhance the natural flavors. The final blend was completed after 5 months of maturation on yeast lees.

APPELLATION

Napa Valley

VINEYARD

Dollarhide Estate Vineyard

VARIETY/BLEND

54% Semillon

46% Sauvignon Blanc

T. ACIDITY 6.0 g/L

FERMENTATION

11% Malolactic, 29% Tank, 71% Barrel

OAK MATURATION

100% French oak (34% new French oak) for 5 months

ΡН

3.15

ALCOHOL

13.5%

HARVEST DATES

Aug 28 and Sept 13-24, 2018

BOTTLING DATE

March 26, 2019

CASE PRODUCTION

1,291 cases



