

# SARACINA

SAUVIGNON BLANC LOLONIS VINEYARD  
2021

## BACKGROUND

Saracina is located along the Upper Russian River in northern California's wine country. The 400-acre ranch which includes a winery and sustainably farmed vineyards, is also home to a 140-year-old olive tree, vegetable gardens, beehives, and local birds and wildlife. The handcrafted, limited production Saracina wines reflect a conscious sense of this beautiful place in Mendocino County. Founded by husband and wife team John Fetzer and Patty Rock in 2001, Saracina has always been defined by a strong sense of family. In 2018, Marc Taub took on stewardship of Saracina, upholding the spirit of family ownership that has defined this iconic Mendocino County winery since inception.

## APPELLATION

Redwood Valley, Mendocino County, California

## VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Sauvignon Blanc

## TERROIR & VINTAGE NOTES

The Lolonis vineyard has some of the oldest Sauvignon Blanc vines in the country, planted in 1942. The vines are dry-farmed, never irrigated and always organically farmed on the Yokayo series (alluvial loam) soils. The clonal material hails from the finest chateau in Sauternes.

The growing season was marked by very low precipitation, with the lowest yields and cluster weights ever recorded. The trade-off, concentration of fruit, was simply astounding. The vineyard was harvested on August 31, 2021.

## WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand-picked, whole cluster pressed and barrel fermented with native yeast in 3- and 4-year-old Burgundian barrels. The wine did not undergo malolactic fermentation. Acid levels were brilliantly elevated, and the concentrated berries produced excellent fruit intensity and weight. The juice remained on the lees for four months with just a single batonnage.

## TASTING NOTES

This wine opens with brine, wet stone and citrus aromas. The palate begins with invigorating, green, spring-like notes. With time in the glass, the texture deepens, and the concentration of the vineyard becomes more evident. This one is built to last.



## WINEMAKER

Alex MacGregor

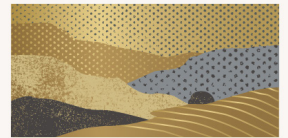
## TECHNICAL DATA

TA: 7.7 g/L  
pH: 3.07

Alcohol  
13.9%



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