



#### CURRENT WINEMAKER

Nicolas Cantacuzene

#### TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol  
13.4%

## NOBLE TREE

ESTATE NOBLE BLANC CHALK HILL –  
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY 2016

#### BACKGROUND

Noble Tree was originally founded as a passion project by two sommeliers/restaurateurs to produce wines for their fellow industry friends. Production began as a true “garagistes-négociant” style winery, focusing on healthy vineyard sources, hand-harvesting and honest winemaking practices. In 2019, Marc D. Taub of Taub Family Vineyards became proprietor of Noble Tree, upholding the mission and essence of the winemaking philosophy: to respect the varietal character and reflect the vineyard site and vintage conditions in each wine.

#### APPELLATION

Sonoma County (Russian River Valley), California

#### VARIETAL COMPOSITION

75% Grenache Blanc, 25% Viognier

#### TERROIR

The Vineyard is located in the Chalk Hill – Russian River Valley AVA, in the town of Windsor. Planted in the mid-1970s, the Vineyard is sited in a North-South orientation and is home to 17 acres of old-vine Noble Tree Chardonnay and five acres of old-vine Noble Tree Zinfandel. The vineyard is a classic valley floor site with alluvial soils exhibiting the dry, silty, loamy sand and gravel characteristics of an ancient riverbed and provides a perfect site to produce grapes for high-quality wines with varietal distinction.

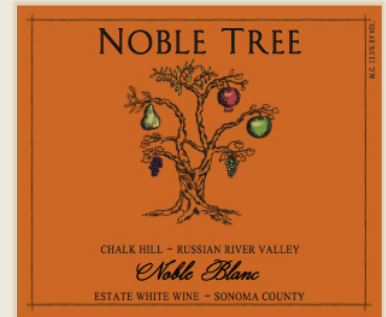
#### WINEMAKING & VINTAGE NOTES

This wine was produced from grapes grown on vines planted on the Estate Chalk Hill – Russian River Vineyard. The terroir provides for a compelling expression of Chalk Hill – Russian River Valley fruit at its finest. This wine was made using traditional winemaking techniques including fermentation and aging in concrete eggs tanks along with restrained use of French Oak barrels.

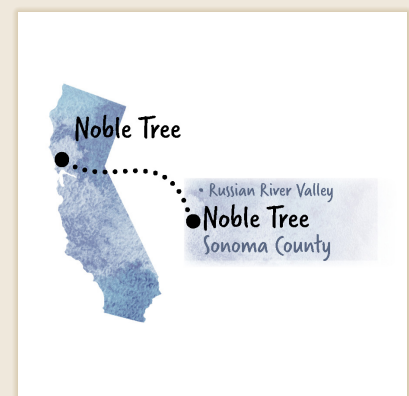
#### TASTING NOTES

On the nose, notes of subtle stone fruit and ripe citrus. The crisp mouth feel shows great potential for developing classic Rhône varietal viscosity. White peach intertwined with a wet stone minerality make this a great food pairing wine or great on its own as an aperitif.

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