



2008 Estate Bottled
Sauvignon Blanc
Russian River Valley

**TECHNICAL
INFORMATION**

HARVEST DATE:
Sept. 6, 2008

pH
3.26

TOTAL ACIDITY:
.74

RESIDUAL SUGAR:
.30%

ALCOHOL:
14.1

WINEMAKER:
JASON DE LOACH

CASES PRODUCED:
263

RELEASE DATE:
Spring, 2009

SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE:
\$22

THE VINEYARDS

Sauvignon Blanc demands a cooler climate that will allow the distinctive flavors of the grape to mature and develop. The southern reaches of the Russian River Valley produce just such conditions. These 18-year old vines stretch along the front 5 acres of the Hook & Ladder Estate Winery on Olivet Road.

THE WINEMAKING

Half of this Sauvignon Blanc was cold fermented slowly in a stainless steel tank; the other half was fermented in our 5 best neutral French oak barrels for added complexity and softer mouth feel. The two halves were combined and then hand-bottled at our winery.

THE WINE

The tropical bouquet of Key lime and orange blossom gives way to crisp, vibrant flavors of pineapple and citrus. This wine has good acidity and a lengthy finish that can be enjoyed on its own or would pair well with most seafood and poultry dishes or oysters on the half shell.