# <sup>®</sup> ESSER WINES 2017 SAUVIGNON BLANC

# MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, USA

### WINEMAKING

2017 turned out to be an super year with ample winter and spring rains. The summer temperatures were moderate with no prolonged heat or cold spikes. The cool afternoon breezes from the Pacific allowed the grapes to mature evenly attaining full flavors, ideal sugar levels as well as bright acidity. The sustainably-farmed fruit came from the very best blocks of the cool Riverview and the warmer Viento vineyards. The grapes were harvested at dawn and transported for whole cluster pressing with minimal skin contact. The two fields were fermented separately in stainless steel tanks without any malolactic fermentation. The final blend was determined only after a number of trial blends with the addition of Semillon from the Viento Vineyard to finish off this outstanding wine.

## COLOR

Warm, golden shine with brilliant clarity.

#### AROMA

Expressing passion fruit, with bright aromas of citrus, lemon and melon flavors.

#### PALATE

Fresh, crisp and lively on the palate. Flavors of tropical fruits including gooseberries, lemon, lime and honeydew melon are followed by a crisp finish with good length.

Blend: 93.7% Sauvignon Blanc, 3.2% Semillon, 3.1% Mixed White Appellation: Monterey County Alcohol: 13.5% Residual Sugar: 7.4 g/L Acidity: 5.0 meq/L ph: 3.33

2012 WINEENTHUSIAST 86 Point, Best Buy Double Silver International / National Medals

2013 BTI 90 Point, Gold Medal & Best Buy



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