

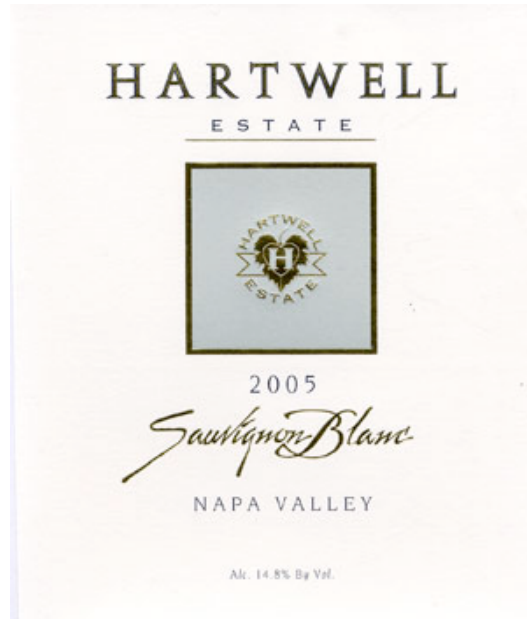


## 2005 Hartwell Estate Sauvignon Blanc Carneros, Napa Valley

We are proud to present Hartwell Vineyard's first Sauvignon Blanc from our estate vineyard in Carneros, featuring our newly re-designed wine label. Our vineyard in Napa Valley's cool southernmost appellation is just one mile from San Francisco/San Pablo Bay. Three distinct clones of Sauvignon Blanc provide individual characteristics in this layered, complex wine. Grapes are carefully sorted to eliminate imperfections and then gently whole-cluster pressed. The resulting juice is clean and intense, with rich flavor and mouthwatering acidity.

The wine was fermented in 75% small stainless steel barrels and 25% new French oak chateau Bordeaux barrels. The small stainless steel barrels protect the lively varietal character of the Sauvignon Blanc while affording it the richness that comes from contact with the lees. The wine that was fermented and aged in oak contributes additional structure and complexity to the blend.

**Varietal:** 100% Sauvignon Blanc  
**Harvest dates:** September 21-26, 2005  
**Produced:** 835 cases  
**Release date:** Summer 2006



“Aged on the lees for nine months and stirred frequently, the wine exhibits a luscious roundness on the mid-palate. To ensure proper acid balance and allow the natural expression of the fruit, we inhibited malolactic fermentation.”

“This Sauvignon Blanc is meant to be enjoyed now, while some time in the bottle will enhance the wine's delicious mineral characteristics.”

-- Winemaker Notes