

FOREFRONT

2008 SAUVIGNON BLANC



About Forefront

The Andrus family, founders of Napa Valley's Pine Ridge winery over 30 years ago, were at the forefront of winemaking around the new world, taking risks and challenging the status quo. Our wines pay tribute to their contributions, commitment to quality and adventurous spirit, capturing distinctive blends and sourcing from the best appellations.

Varietal
100% Sauvignon Blanc

Appellation
67% Sonoma and
33% Napa counties

Alcohol
14.1%

Release Date
September 1, 2009

SRP
\$16

The Wine

The blending of grapes sourced from neighboring appellations gives this wine exceptional balance and complexity. The Napa fruit brings a raciness and a bright character that beautifully complements the rich mouthfeel and tropical fruit of the Sonoma grapes, which are the core of the blend.

VARIETAL	APPELLATION	VINTAGE NOTES
100% Sauvignon Blanc	Sonoma (Dry Creek)	A cool, dry season with few heat spikes produced optimal conditions for white grapes.
	Napa	Frost during budding and low precipitation brought low fruit-set for a small but intensely-flavored crop.

The Winemaking

This wine was sorted with an intensive process of cluster selection in the vineyard, then quickly pressed while the grapes were still cool to retain delicate fruit flavors. The juice underwent a long, cool fermentation in stainless tanks, never seeing oak, to maintain a fresh character. The finished wine was kept on the lees and stirred weekly to add body and complexity before being bottled.

The Flavor Profile

A luscious nose of ruby grapefruit, nectarine and intense minerality leads perfectly into a palate bright with flavors of fresh lime, honeydew melon and tropical pineapple. The refreshing acidity keeps these extraordinary flavors juicy and light, with a finish that goes on forever.