

LUCAS & LEWELLEN

Estate Vineyards

2017 Sauvignon Blanc

Preface From the Lucas & Lewellen vineyards in Santa Barbara County, Louis Lucas selects choice lots for a limited production of premium wines. Attention to detail in the vineyards yields superior quality grapes from which Megan McGrath Gates crafts award winning wines. The vineyards of Lucas & Lewellen are located in the three principal wine grape growing regions of Santa Barbara County: the Santa Maria Valley, the Los Alamos Valley, and the Santa Ynez Valley. These valleys all run west from the coastal mountains to the Pacific Ocean, allowing warm days and cool nights to produce a long, gentle growing season.



Vineyard Notes Our Valley View Vineyard is a warm climate vineyard in the Santa Barbara County AVA. Sloping gently toward the Santa Ynez River, the south-facing lower vineyard features what many consider Santa Barbara County's best Cabernet Sauvignon, in addition to Sauvignon Blanc and Syrah, much in demand by local wineries. The hilltop vineyard produces outstanding Cabernet Franc and Syrah. Small quantities of Petit Verdot and Malbec are grown to provide the Bordeaux accent to our Valley View Cabernet Sauvignon.

Stretching for over a mile of Highway 101 frontage just south of the town of Los Alamos, these vineyards are home to over 20 varieties of grapes, representing the principal varieties of the Rhône, Burgundy and Bordeaux regions of France, as well as Italian varieties. With some of the vines planted from cuttings brought over from Europe over 40 years ago, these vineyards have long been a favorite source for many of California's most acclaimed wineries.

Vineyard: Valley View/Los

Composition: 90% Sauvignon Blanc

10% Viognier

Fermentation: Cold

Bottled: 2017

pH: 3.20

TA: .657

RS: 110 mg/100mL EnzymaticMalic

Alcohol: 13.9%

Production: 1150 Cases

Release Date: 2017

Retail: 18.00

Winemaker Notes This wine blends Sauvignon Blanc grapes, hand-harvested from two of our estate vineyards. The cooler Los Alamos Vineyard provides crispness while the warmer Valley View Vineyard fruit brings the tropical guava and pineapple aromas and flavors of juicy white peaches and Meyer lemon that linger on the pretty finish.

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Winemaker: Megan McGrath Gates