

2020 Brut Cuvée Rio Vista Vineyard Santa Barbara County

We use the term Cuvée to specifically indicate a blend, a wine produced from a mixture of several grape varieties, rather than a varietal wine. Our other five sparklers are single varietal and single vineyard. Thus, our Cuvée will vary in the blend from year to year and always be a pleasant surprise. The 2020 is a blend of 80% Pinot Noir Clone 2A and 20% Chardonnay Clone 4, both from Rio Vista Vineyard.

Tasting Notes

This wine will remind you of the hair color and sunny charm of a California beach blonde. Enjoy hints of crabapple and kneaded bread dough on the nose. The palate expresses the bracing white minerality of a waterfall, complemented by lime blossom. The racing and embracing acidity, running wild like a young colt, will liven your palate. The finish will remind you of the silky texture of Creme Brûlée dancing across your tongue. Pair with goat cheese and fig/olive crackers, garlic chicken smoked over an oak fire, white sea bass, truffle risotto, or just good old fashioned cheese cake.

Details

Harvested: August 18, 2020 Alcohol: 12.8% by Volume

Bottled: July 23, 2021 pH: 3.21

Disgorged: March 12, 2024 T.A.: .91 g/100ml Released: April 14, 2024 Brix: 19.0% Production: 138 cases Dosage: .20%

Price: \$48 Clones: 80% Pinot Noir 2A/ 20% Chard 4