

# SUBSTANCE

## VINEYARD COLLECTION

## 2017 Substance Vineyard Collection Sauvignon Blanc

Now we're getting somewhere and that somewhere is in the heart of aromatic wine grapes... Ancient Lakes. Anchored in limestone, this wine rages with kumquat, winter grapefruit, lemon thyme, gunpowder, oyster shells, all drawn out to infinity.

### Current & Past Scores

#### 93+ Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate* (v2016)

"The 2016 Sauvignon Blanc Sunset Vineyard reveals notes of lemon oil and delicate botanicals framed by light reduction that would be very much at home in the eastern Loire Valley. On the palate, it's medium to full-bodied, pure and racy, with a textural attack underpinned by loads of cut and chalky tension. This is a world away from the insipid, ester-laden concoctions that commonly pass for Sauvignon Blanc, and it's refreshing in every sense. The price is outrageously low for the quality."

#### 90 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate* (v2015)

"The white Bordeaux blend from this label, the 2015 Sauvignon Blanc Sunset Vineyard is 100% Sauvignon Blanc brought up in barrel. Notes of lemon curd, hints of citrus and white grapefruit all flow to a rounded and supple white that has integrated acidity and a clean finish. It's a seriously good white that's well worth its going rate."

#### 91 Points, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate* (v2014)

"Up there with the top Sauvignon Blancs from Washington, the 2014 Sauvignon Blanc was fermented in a combination of concrete tanks and barrel. It has a Loire-like minerality as well as terrific notes of citrus rind, lychee and dried herbs. These give way to a pure, crisp, downright delicious white that has bright acidity, good texture and a clean, crisp finish. It's a terrific value to drink over the coming 2-3 years, and it might have an interesting evolution beyond that as well."

### Vineyard

The vineyards we work with are farmed using the most up to date sustainable practices.

**Sunset Vineyard:** (100%) Located in the Ancient Lakes AVA near the town of Quincy, Sunset Vineyard is situated on one of the land's many coulees (a canyon formed by the draining of the Missoula flood waters). Thin limestone soils with an elevation above 1200 feet provide Sunset the classic terroir of the Ancient Lakes AVA that have helped define the style of white grapes grown in the region.

### Vintage

2017 was a fantastic year for making wine with a cool spring and a fair amount of rain. Washington had an ideal spring for healthy vines. The moderate temperatures during summer were perfect for small clusters and yet delayed veraison into the fall where we had a consistent ripening season that allowed us to hang the fruit for perfect tannin and flavor without losing acidity or acquiring too much alcohol. Overall it was a vintage to remember.

### Blend

100% Sauvignon Blanc

### Appellation

Ancient Lakes

### Production

Yield: 2.2 tons per acre

Yeast: native

100% whole cluster pressed

50% concrete tank, 50% neutral barrels

No malolactic fermentation

9 months aged on lees

(90% neutral oak barriques &

10% new Demi-Muids - 700L)

### Wine Analysis

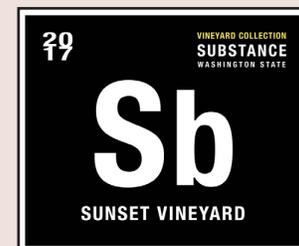
6.7 g/L titratable acidity

3.40 pH

13.0% alcohol

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