



KINGSTON
FAMILY
VINEYARDS
CASABLANCA CHILE

TASTING NOTES



2016 CJ'S BARREL SAUVIGNON

VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Sauvignon Blanc
PRODUCTION	100 cases
ALCOHOL	13.5%
RELEASE DATE	March 2016
AGING	French Oak Stainless Steel Barrels Concrete Egg
MONTHS IN OAK	5 Months

Kingston Family Vineyards is a boutique winery located on the farm that has been in our family for a century. We handcraft Pinot Noir, Syrah, Sauvignon Blanc and Chardonnay from our vineyards in Casablanca, Chile.

Kingston also collaborates in MOVI, Chile's Movement of Independent Winemakers, whose members make small lots of artisan wines by hand.

I can be stingy giving out praise, and I'm sometimes most critical of our own efforts. So I am breaking character to say that the 2016 Sauvignon Blanc from Kingston Family is the best we've ever made. We're so pleased that we decided to offer our first ever CJ's Barrel Sauvignon Blanc.

Everything about our 2016 Sauvignon Blanc is special. Like other CJ's bottlings, we're guided by the most interesting, distinctive, inspiring wines in the cellar. CJ's isn't bigger or richer; it just has to have something to say. In 2016, we began making some of the Sauvignon Blanc in concrete; this wine was so pure and focused that it became the core of the CJ's blend. The fruit came exclusively from our oldest vines, planted in 1999 on their own roots.

The CJ's Sauvignon Blanc is aromatically reserved but with great purity of flavor. It has a stoniness that makes it seem more serious than Cariblanco. Tasting the two side by side, the CJ's is less forward, less fruity, more mineral and precise. We haven't had a Sauvignon Blanc like this before, and it feels like a quantum leap forward in our winemaking efforts. Time will tell if that proves to be true.

- Byron Kosuge, Consulting Winemaker

