



2023

‘LA PROPORTION DORÉE’

SONOMA COUNTY SÉMILLON-SAUVIGNON BLANC

A harmonious blend of the three classic white Bordeaux varietals, this unique cuvée was inspired from the finest producers of Pessac-Léognan. The Sémillon, Sauvignon Blanc and Muscadelle come from dry-farmed vineyards in the Golden State’s Sonoma County. Classical winemaking techniques such as *élevage sur lies* (aging on the lees) and *bâtonnage* (stirring) contribute to this true *vin de garde*. As in architectural arts, it is ‘The Golden Ratio’ or ‘La Proportion Dorée.’



Proprietary name	‘La Proportion Dorée’
Name meaning	The Golden Ratio
Varietal composition	Sémillon (63%) Sauvignon Blanc (36%) Muscadelle (1%)
Type of wine	Cuvée blend of five vineyards
Appellation	Sonoma County
Vineyard singularity	50 to 100-year-old-vines Loamy to gravelly soils One cluster per shoot ‘ <i>de rigueur</i> ’ Sauvignon Blanc Musqué
Harvest date	September-October 2023
Picking	Night pick; manual; small lugs; refrigerated truck
Sorting	Cluster-by-cluster
Fermentation	In barrel through native yeast
Upbringing	14 months in French oak barrels from selected artisan coopers <i>Sur lies</i> with <i>bâtonnage</i>
Bottling	Unfinned, coarse filtration to prevent Malolactic
Ideal cellaring	3 to 5 years after harvest date
Arc of aging	15 to 20 years
Serving	55-59°F (13-15°C)

TASTING NOTES

“Pouring a slightly deeper straw yellow hue, the 2023 ‘La Proportion Dorée’ was built to age. It comes from 30-year-old dry farmed vines and is a blend of 63% Semillon, 36% Sauvignon Blanc, and a tiny splash of Muscadelle that was barrel fermented. The nose has more depth and a savory feel, with notes of beeswax, salted pineapple, wet stones, white peach, and quince. It’s full-bodied but light on its feet, with a fantastic, seamless, mouthwatering feel and elegant hints of creamy spices on the finish. It’s long on the palate and is going to only improve with another few years in bottle. Hide this one away, although it’s fantastic now.”

98+ points
Audrey Frick
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