



# 2010 Calaveras County Grenache Blanc

(a “Twisted Freak” wine)

## TASTING NOTES

Around the winery you’ll hear the staff talking about “**dropping acid.**” While the occasional 70s **flashback** is not out of the question (as long as it doesn’t include disco), what we are really talking about is a wine like this **Grenache Blanc**. After you take in the **floral and apple aromas**, you get a big mouthful of **sour apples, pears**, and “**EXTREME RACING ACIDITY**” as Fermento put it. (We actually have **no idea** what that means exactly, maybe he had one of those flashbacks. But if I were you I’d fasten my seatbelt.)

## PRODUCTION NOTES

This is our **first** vintage of Grenache Blanc that we’re bottling on its own. It’s grown on the Clondaire vineyard on **Pool Station Road** between Copperopolis and San Andreas. The site is well sloped and well exposed with **shallow well-drained soils** suitable for these white Rhone varieties.

Upon reaching the winery, the fruit was **whole cluster pressed** to remove the clear juice from the skins and seeds. After pressing, the wine was inoculated with a Rhone isolated yeast strain and the yeast monitored throughout fermentation to ensure optimal yeast viability. The juice was fermented in **2 neutral oak barrels**. After 15 days and near the end of primary fermentation, the wine was racked off of the lees to another tank and held at a very low temperature. The wine was bottled in February to capture the freshness of the fruit flavors.

## TECHNICAL NITTY GRITTY

### Varietals & Vineyards:

94% Grenache Blanc from Clondaire Vineyard  
6% Viognier from Dalton Vineyard

### Harvest Date:

September 27, 2010

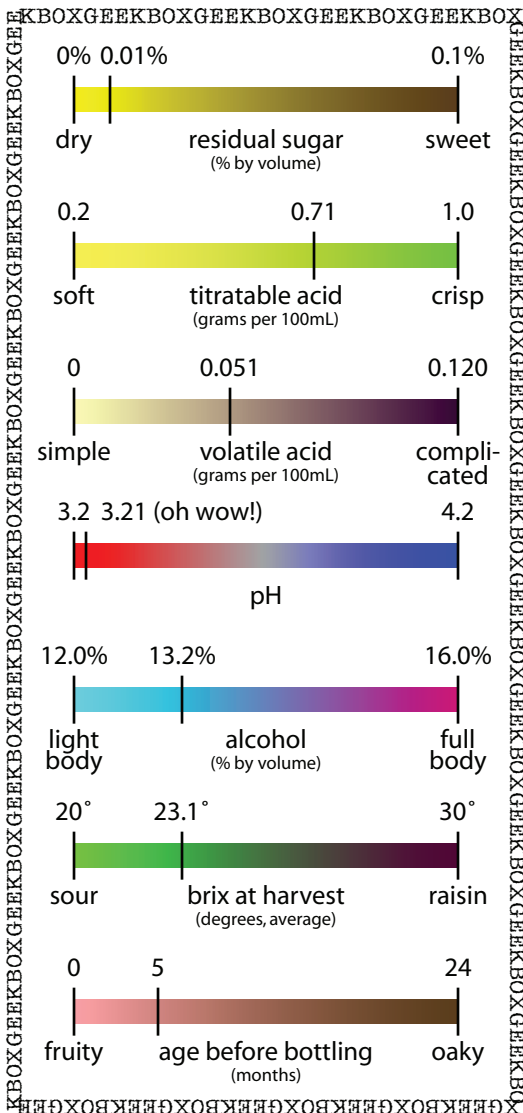
### Oak Program:

100% neutral oak fermentation

**Food Pairings: Rip Roaring Acidity!** Raw oysters, ceviche, sashimi, crab and lobster

**Suggested Retail Price:** \$24

50 cases produced. Yup, that’s all. It’s a Twisted Freak!



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