

## 2019

## SPARKLING WHITE WINE

"FIRST THINGS FIRST"

**BRUT NATURE** 

VIVIO VINEYARD - BENNETT VALLEY

First things first: You may be wondering how all those bubbles get into the bottle. Isn't sparkling wine just still wine that's been carbonated? Nope. Not the way we make it.

With *méthode champenois*, a solution of yeast, wine and sugar is added to the base wine to impel a secondary fermentation which releases CO2 that gets dissolved in the wine, forming bubbles. The amount of sugar in the solution determines the level of dryness. This wine, being a Brut Nature, is nearly bone dry.

So what's it taste like? On the nose there are aromas of apricot and tangerine accented by freshly baked brioche. The fruit takes on a tang of ginger at the mid-palate. On the finish, there is a tart acidity reminiscent of Seville orange.

Back to the bubbles. Bubbles can sometime be too assertive. We strive for a silky sort of mousse that's light, airy and filled with tension. By your third sip it will dawn on you just how rich and creamy the wine is.



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