



2022
SPARKLING WHITE WINE
“FIRST THINGS FIRST”
BRUT NATURE
VIVIO VINEYARD - BENNETT VALLEY

You know the feeling you get when you nail the milk-to-cereal ratio at breakfast? When the last spoonful is as perfect as the first? That’s how we felt when we disgorged this wine, it didn’t need any dosage. Not a drop!

For that we can thank the weather. The 2022 growing season was already hot and then it got hotter. The vines shut down early. Turns out, that was great for sparkling wine. The Roussanne fermented to 9.5% and, after the second fermentation, finished at 11.2%. Whatever residual sugar remained was enough to create a perfectly balanced wine on its own. *Viola!*

Pale yellow color (think lemon chiffon) with a persistent bead. The nose carries verbena, sorrel, lilac and brioche. In the mouth, Meyer lemon, Golden Delicious apple and white peach, with a tangerine-saline finish. Less rich than in years past, a bit leaner and more zesty. Serve on the cold side; the ice bucket is your friend.

