

# LANGETWINS

FAMILY WINERY AND VINEYARDS

## 2018 CHENIN BLANC | PRINCE

We respect the land where our vineyards grow - our family's connection to nature gives our wine its foundation and individuality. Distinct soil and climate coupled with responsible farming practices highlight the character of each vintage from our generational farm in Lodi, California.

### GROWING SEASON

Weather is a key element of farming – it plays a crucial role in the health of our vines and winegrapes. Daily temperatures and rainfall come together to dictate the growing season, making each vintage distinctive. 2018 was a long and even season with moderate conditions and mild summer weather. This allowed the winegrapes to mature slowly with even ripening, pushing our start of harvest to August 6<sup>th</sup>, 10 days later than the previous two years. The overall moderate to cool harvest conditions were good for flavor development, but on October 3<sup>rd</sup> we endured rain showers. Luckily the following two weeks were dry and sunny helping finish the sugar accumulation in our mid to late ripening varieties. We ended harvest in November, one of the latest in recent memory, with particularly good quality and spectacular color in the red varieties and white varieties with sound flavor and acid development.

### VINEYARD NOTES

One of the many varieties within Prince Vineyard is Chenin Blanc: planted in 1995, 1996 and 2012 in nine separate blocks totaling 92.08 acres. The vineyard is in the Clarksburg Appellation, with an ideal location to maintain the natural acidity and floral bouquet.

### CLARKSBURG AVA

Located on the Sacramento River in the heart of the Delta, the Clarksburg AVA has a profound maritime influence. Cool mornings give way to warm afternoons and temperatures quickly cool again in the evenings. With land at or below sea level, the fertile soil attracts and holds nutrients and water which calls for constant monitoring.

### WINEMAKER NOTES

By simply preserving the aromas and flavors that were delivered from the winegrape, our Chenin Blanc is a vibrant expression of the varietal. Crisp Granny Smith apple notes merge with a hint of tart pear to create a bright and refreshing wine that is easy to enjoy on its own.

### WINE STATISTICS

#### SOIL COMPOSITION

Clay Loam. Derivation mixed rock.

#### VINEYARD PHILOSOPHY

Sustainable Viticulture

#### TRELLISING

Bi-lateral Cordon

#### LOCATION

38°18'30.6"N, 121°31'18.1"W

#### CASES PRODUCED

3208 | 6 Pack

#### AGING

Stainless Steel

#### HARVEST DATE

August 21, 2018

#### CLONE

Wente

#### BOTTLE DATE

April 2, 2019

#### TA

6.4 g/L

#### PH

3.38

#### BRIX

23.6°

#### ACRES

92.08

#### ALCOHOL

12.0%

#### RS

3.5 g/L



## SOIL

### SCRIBNER CLAY LOAM

- Very deep
- Found on flood plains
- Formed in alluvium
- Derived from mixed rock
- 5 ft below - 10 ft above sea level
- Improved by levees and reclamation projects
- Poor to partially drained
- Permeability is moderately slow
- Available water capacity is very high
- Root depth limited by water table at 3-5 ft
- Runoff is very slow

## CLONE

### WENTE

- Chosen based on variety, site, climate, soil, vineyard design, cultural practices, and desired wine quality
- Clone traced back to Wente Family
- Known for fruit and floral aromatics

## TRELLISING

### BI-LATERAL CORDON | CANE PRUNE QUAD

- Extensions of the trunk in two permanent horizontal branches supported by a wire
- Allows for speckled light penetration
- Straightforward to harvest and prune
- Yields high quality fruit

## ROOTSTOCK

### TELEKI 5C

- Chosen based on resistance to soil pests, soil's texture, chemistry, depth, fertility, water availability, irrigation practice, vineyard design, and variety chosen
- Suitable for all varieties with fertile soils
- Prefers slightly finer soils
- Good for varieties sensitive to flowering



**“Prince Vineyard is complicated and challenging. A myriad of blocks, high mildew pressure, the wind can be brutal, and the influence of the waterways all come together to mimic a coastal area. It keeps us on our toes, but it’s worth it - we are always pleased with the end result.”**

**- AARON LANGE**