ST SUPÉRY
ESTATE VINEYARDS & WINERY
NAPA VALLEY

2016 Napa Valley Estate Virtú

St. Supéry Estate Vineyards and Winery is a 100% Estate Grown, sustainably farmed winery committed to producing the highest quality estate wines without compromise. Virtú, a blend of Semillon and Sauvignon Blanc, offers a seamless integrity and depth found only in great wines. The wine's name comes from the ancient Italian word for virtue which, during the Renaissance, was used to signify artistic skill. Today, it means excellence with slight overtones of purity or even saintliness.

Winemaker's Notes This fresh and vibrant white wine is a blend of 55% Semillon and 45% Sauvignon Blanc. Aromas of grapefruit, lemon rind and fig are threaded together with toasted oak and a hint of pear. Grapefruit, lemon and fig continue throughout the palate complemented by flavors of lemongrass and quince. Toasted oak and a creamy texture from the sur-lie maturation round out this elegant wine of tremendous length and flavor.

Vintage 2016 2016 saw a near-perfect growing season. A warm spring jumpstarted bud break and an ideal June and July followed with moderate daytime temperatures and cool nights. August was cooler allowing for an even and steady growing season which encouraged the fruit to ripen uniformly under slow, steady conditions. Harvest started on August 16th, 10 days later than last year and wrapped up right before Napa saw a significant rainfall on October 14th. Yields were as expected and the quality of the fruit was exceptional. Picked in the cool morning hours, the fruit was pressed and immediately chilled and settled prior to fermentation which occurred partly in tanks and in barrels.

APPELLATION
Napa Valley

VINEYARD
Dollarhide Estate Vineyard

VARIETY/BLEND
55% Semillon
45% Sauvignon Blanc

T. ACIDITY
6.2 g/L

FERMENTATION
10% Malolactic, 37% Tank, 63% Barrel

OAK MATURATION
100% French oak (31% new French oak) for 5 months

PH
3.27

ALCOHOL
14.1%

HARVEST DATES
Aug 26 and Sept 2, 3, 6, 7 and 22, 2016

BOTTLING DATE
April 25, 2017

CASE PRODUCTION
2,265 cases