



2019 INGLENOOK BLANCANEAU

Produced since 1999 as a partner to Rubicon, Inglenook's premier red wine, Blancaneau is a blend of three estate-grown white Rhône varieties.

Marsanne and Roussanne contribute body and minerality, while Viognier adds intense aromas of tropical fruits.

These varieties are grown in vineyard blocks that enjoy full morning sun but are in the cooling shadow of Mount St. John by mid-afternoon.



Sharing its name with one of The Family Coppola hideaway hotels in Belize, Blancaneau--meaning "white waters" in French--is deservedly Inglenook's preeminent white wine. From its first vintage in 1999 through to its 2002 vintage, Blancaneau used to incorporate the features of Chardonnay along with three varietals of the Rhône Valley--Viognier, Roussanne, and Marsanne--but since 2003 the blend consists solely of those three Rhône varietals in proportions that best suit the overall expression. Like Rubicon, Blancaneau doesn't describe any one grape personality but speaks volumes about the Inglenook terroir that contributes to its range of nuanced flavors, dense palate, and mix of aromatic interests.



2019 Vintage Notes:

Leading into the 2019 growing season, winter rains were heavier than average and continued into the early spring. The resulting ambient moisture paved the way for a well-timed bloom. A warm summer, followed by moderate weather conditions from August through the beginning of September, set the stage for even ripening and a successful harvest of our white Rhône varieties.

Winemaker's Tasting Notes:

The 2019 Blancaneau is a truly elegant wine with magnificent aromatic complexity. While certainly floral, with delicate hints of rose and lime blossom, there are clear summer fruit notes of pear, apricot, lychee and honeydew. Round, fresh and luxurious on the palate, the wine has a long, graceful finish. It will continue to provide optimum enjoyment for at least the next six years.

Appellation	Rutherford, Napa Valley
Blend:	38% Viognier, 35% Marsanne, 27% Roussanne
Vineyard:	Apple, Saddle
Alcohol:	14.1%
Barrel Regime:	8 months sur lies, 60% Stainless Steel, 40% French Oak, 22% New Oak
Bottled:	May 2020



JAMES SUCKLING 92 POINTS

Aromas of lemon curd, dried flowers, apricot and toast on the nose. It's medium-to full-bodied with tangy acidity and a waxy texture. Almonds, waxed lemon and stones on the finish.

Viognier, marsanne and roussanne.

Drink now.

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Founded in 1879 by Gustave Niebaum, Inglenook remains the crown jewel of the Napa Valley under the stewardship of the Coppola family.