

WINE RECOMMENDATION



Honig Vineyards and Winery 2006 Sauvignon Blanc (Napa Valley)

Joining the ranks of families moving to Napa to capture the bucolic lifestyle, Louis Honig purchased a 68-acre ranch in the heart of the Napa Valley in 1964. At this time the Chappellets, Mondavis, Davies' and other icons were setting up shop as well. It wasn't until 1981, though, after Louis passed away, that a Honig-labeled wine came to fruition. Up until that point neighboring wineries were purchasing the estate's sustainably farmed Sauvignon Blanc and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes.

Michael, Louis' grandson, and Elaine Honig took the reigns of this family winery in the early 80s. Today, along with family members Regina Weinstein and Steven Honig the legacy continues. Both wines are good values, and are as pleasurable to encounter as the family members. Elaine is a wonderful ambassador, touring the country to both promote the wines and to host numerous charitable events. Her "Wine, Women, and Shoes" events have raised over a million dollars for women's charities.

Pale straw and moderately viscous, this Sauvignon Blanc is clean with aromas of hay, lemon, dill, and tarragon. Medium bodied, clean, and fresh, the wine has zesty lemon/lime guava fruit and a long refreshing green tea/meyer lemon finish.

Reviewed April 10, 2007 by Catherine Fallis.

THE WINE

Winery: Honig Vineyards and Winery

Vintage: 2006

Wine: Sauvignon Blanc

Appellation: Napa Valley

Grapes: Sauvignon Blanc (97%), Semillon (3%)

Price: \$16.00

THE REVIEWER



Catherine Fallis

Founder and President of Planet Grape LLC, a company committed to bringing the joy of wine, food, and good living into the lives of everyday people, Catherine is creator of the "grape goddess guides to good living," a series of books, television presentations,

seminars, and e-learning programs. The fifth woman in the world to become a Master Sommelier, grape goddess Catherine Fallis is still very much down-to-earth.