



## 2016 GRENACHE BLANC

Our inaugural release, this wine is whole-cluster pressed, fermented in neutral French oak with extended bâtonnage and aged for fourteen months. With a pale lemon hue flecked with gold, aromas of Acacia, wet gravel, and stone fruits; this wine is rich, yet focused with balanced acidity and layers of yellow apples, citrus and anise on the palate.

## VINTAGE NOTES

2016 was a vintage of idealic weather. Some relief from the drought led to increased vegetative growth of the vines resulting in more delicate, elegant wines.

## WINEMAKING

Whole cluster pressed, neutral French oak for 14 months with extended bâtonnage.

## FOOD PAIRING

Pairs well with salt-crusted whole branzino and herbs or vongole pizza.



## WHO WE ARE

*Casino Mine Ranch is an estate vineyard located in the Sierra Foothills of Amador County. The winery — a century old ranch that was once mined for gold — is owned and managed by fourth-generation California brothers, Jim and Rich Merryman.*

**APPELLATION:** Shenandoah Valley

**VARIETAL:** 100% Grenache Blanc

**ALCOHOL:** 14.2%

**HARVEST DATE(S):** 9.7.2016

**WINEMAKER:** Jessica Tarpy

**COOPERAGE:** Neutral French Oak

**CASE PRODUCTION:** 311