

# GAINNEY

## VINEYARD



## 2011 SAUVIGNON BLANC, SANTA YNEZ VALLEY

### SANTA YNEZ VALLEY

Committed to exploring the diversity of Santa Ynez Valley's two distinctly different microclimates, the Gainey family was the first to own properties in both the cool, western end of the valley, Sta. Rita Hills, where they focus on Burgundian varieties, and the warm, eastern end of the Santa Ynez Valley, where the grapes for this wine were grown. Gainey Vineyard is committed to farming its vineyards in a safe and sustainable way — a way that protects its workers, benefits the environment and produces its fine wines.

### HOME RANCH VINEYARD

Named because it is part of the 1,800-acre ranch where the Gainey family made their home more than 40 years ago, the Home Ranch Vineyard is located in the warm, eastern portion of the Santa Ynez Valley. The Home Ranch Vineyard is primarily planted to Riesling, Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon.

### TASTING NOTES

The 2011 is another superb Gainey Sauvignon Blanc boasting fresh honeydew melon, bright citrus and piquant mineral aromas, with subtle herbal and earthy scents adding complexity. On the palate, the wine's rich, mouthwatering and perfectly structured honeyed melon and grapefruit flavors culminate in a long, succulent finish full of zesty guava, spice and mineral tones. Still a youngster, this vibrant wine will continue developing in bottle for another couple years, but you'll find it delicious now with your favorite seafood, poultry and salad dishes.

**Vineyard Composition:** 100% Home Ranch

**Location:** Santa Ynez Valley

**Soil:** Positas gravelly loam and clay; gravelly sandy loam

**Harvest Dates:** Sept 9 – Oct 5

**Fermentation:** Stainless steel tanks

**Barrel Aging:** None

**Bottled:** May 2012

**Alcohol:** 13%

**TA:** 0.60g/100ml

**pH:** 3.32

**Cases Produced:** 2,200 cases (12/750ml)