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# **2022 BLACKSMITH BLANC**

Boushey Vineyard, Yakima Valley

Opening with delicate lilac notes that intertwine with a noticeable minerality, this beautiful white Rhône blend reveals vibrant flavors reminiscent of key lime pie and a crisp, refreshing character on the palate. The finish is both soft and balanced, offering a gentle hint of pleasant sweetness that lingers. A delightful pairing to a fresh and tangy grilled salmon salad with lemon herb dressing.

## VINTAGE NOTES

Murphy's Law pretty much describes the 2022 Wine Grape Vintage in Washington State. Each vintage usually presents one nearly insurmountable, unforeseen challenge...in 2022 we had three! To start, we endured a very cold winter that ran into spring, making it the coldest spring on record causing late bud-break and included a very rare spring blizzard that had a very bad impact on vines that were finally into bud break at the time. Last, to contrast the very cold start to the season, Mother Nature brought extreme heat at the peak of fruit ripening, which is never good, especially following the challenges at budbreak. In spite of all this, when making fine wine, less almost always equals more. A smaller berry set, longer growing season combined with our incredibly talented and committed growing partners doing their thing, has resulted in an amazingly high-quality, extremely-focused, and seriously expressive vintage; one that wine lovers will celebrate and accountants will lament.

## **TECHNICAL DATA**

Composition: 60% Picpoul Blanc, 40% Marsanne Vineyard: Boushey AVA: Yakima Valley Coopering: 100% stainless steel pH: 3.29 | TA: 5.9g/L | Alcohol: 12.4% Bottled: March 2023 Production: 200 cases

