



## 2014 JURASSIC PARK CHENIN BLANC OLD VINES

After first hearing of the availability of some fruit from this vineyard over lunch in Los Angeles in the fall of 2013, we somehow managed to swoop in again in 2014 and secure at the last minute a little bit of what passes for old vines in Southern California- 36 year-old chenin in Santa Ynez planted on its own roots in the Late Disco era.

This sandy, rocky dinosaur boneyard vineyard has rapidly become one of the more sought-after sites for this noble variety on the Left Coast, and has the unusual atmospheric element of being surrounded by an active oilfield suggesting deep geologic origins for its focused, mineral aspect. We didn't get botrytis in 2014, so this is a bit denser, more tightly wound right out of the gate. Fermentation with indigenous yeast took place in stainless, and *élevage sur lie* continued through the spring in seven stainless and one neutral French oak barrel. As it completed malolactic, we bottled it unfiltered.

-Alex and John

**Release Date:** Summer 2015  
**Composition:** Chenin Blanc  
100%  
**Appellation:** Santa Ynez  
**Case Production:** 212cs