

## TASTING REPORTS

## CALIFORNIA SUCCESS STORY

*Innovative winemaking is driving Sauvignon Blanc to new heights of popularity and acclaim*

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Among California white wines, Sauvignon Blanc was once overshadowed by Chardonnay, whose dominance in the state seemed unrivaled. But lately this underdog grape has emerged to widespread recognition in its own right. With a refreshing profile and an attractive quality-to-price ratio, Sauvignon Blanc from the Golden State has captured the hearts of wine lovers, becoming the go-to white for many occasions.

*“It’s the appreciation that surprises us,” adds winemaker Bibiana González Rave of Alma de Cattleya and Shared Notes. “Sauvignon Blanc has been high on the list of volume consumed in this country, but the grape felt underappreciated. Now it is clearly gaining respect from more growers and winemakers by giving consumers more options.”*

## ALMA DE CATTLEYA

Sauvignon Blanc Sonoma County 2022

This aromatic white stays fresh and focused thanks to sleek acidity, with passion fruit, green apple, lemon zest and makrut lime leaf notes.

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