

# Block Verde



**AVA:** SAN FRANCISCO BAY

**CLONE:** CLONE 3

**ROOTSTOCK:** 101-14

**PLANTING DATE:** 2019

**ACRES:** 0.9

**VINE COUNT:** 1100

**ELEVATION:** 520 TO 530 FT

**DIRECTIONAL PLACEMENT:** NORTH-FACING

**SOIL COMPOSITION:** CLAY LOAM

**TRELLISING:** VERTICAL SHOOT POSITIONED (VSP)



## ABOUT BLOCK VERDE

Block Verde Grüner Veltliner is the most recent block to be planted on the Neely property. Block Verde, planted in 2019, is just shy of 1 acre, spanning elevation between 520 to 530 feet above sea level. Block Verde is named with our Spanish-speaking vineyard crew in mind, using the Spanish word 'verde' in reference to the typical bright green coloring of Grüner Veltliner grapes and juice. Grüner Veltliner is a varietal that hails from Austria. It is an aromatic varietal, and often exudes peppery, spicy, and stone fruit flavors. Our planting is one of only a few in all of California.

## ABOUT SAUSAL CREEK VINEYARD

Sausal Creek Vineyard lies in the meadow adjacent to the Neely Wine tasting room at the bottom of the Neely property in Portola Valley. Straddling the border between Santa Cruz Mountains AVA and the San Francisco Bay AVA, this vineyard is home to Neely Wine's three newest blocks including Leoncita (Chardonnay), Verde (Grüner Veltliner), and our currently unnamed Cabernet Sauvignon/Cabernet Franc block. Sausal Creek Vineyard is bordered to the south by Windy Hill Open Space Preserve, and to the north by its namesake Sausal Creek. These three blocks show great promise, and are already producing incredible fruit. We have high expectations that Sausal Creek Vineyard will be as successful as Spring Ridge Vineyard has been for the past 40 years.