

#### RESERVE LILY (2017)

# Story Behind the Wine

On a hot Texas day, one of our favorite things to do is crack a bottle of Reserve Lily. The Brennan Vineyards Reserve Lily is a beautiful single varietal composed of 100% Malvasia Bianca from the caprock escarpment region known as the Texas High Plains. Reserve Lily has become a significant part of our wine program mostly due to the fact that we enjoy drinking it; and because there could not be a more perfect pairing for the Texas climate.

## Vintage Notes

The 2017 harvest was an overall pleasing vintage across the state of Texas. This time spring freeze was not an issue. Rain, rain, and more rain was the issue. Once we escaped with no freezes we thought we were home free. Brennan Vineyards saw over 20" of rain in May alone. It rained so much during thte growing season that it was very difficult to spray our vineyards. What looked like another high quailty/yielding year wound up for many producers being filled with rot and mildew. Thankfully, Brennan Vineyards saw very little damage or loss from the wet season.

#### Harvest Notes & Vinification

Harvest Period: September 30, 2017

Fruit: Farmhouse Vineyards 100% Malvasia Bianca, Brix 20.1, Harvest pH 3.9

Vinification: Mechanically harvested and pressed. Tank fermented at 52 F.

Finished Wine: pH 3.44 0.0% Residual Sugar

Production: 211 Cases

## Tasting Notes

Appearance: Star bright, pale straw with a slightly green watery rim.

Nose: Orange blossom, gardenia, and bridal wreath florals dominate the aromatics of the wine with fruit nuances of honey dew melon, white peach, and key lime zest.

*Palate:* Light bodied with bright acids, fruit flavors of meyer lemon and melon rind run across the palate with a delightfully lengthy finish of honeysuckle, and mouthwatering minerality.

### Wine Composition

100% Malvasia Bianca from Farmhouse Vineyards, Texas High Plains