

## Margerum Wine Company 2012 "D" Sauvignon Blanc Happy Canyon of Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County

Margerum "D" is an exploration in what can be achieved with high quality Sauvignon Blanc.

This wine is crafted from Sauvignon Blanc grown at McGinley "Point" Vineyard (50%), Grassini Vineyard (48%), and Three Creek Vineyard Semillon (2%).

Vineyard Region: Happy Canyon AVA

**Vintage Conditions:** 2012 was a good year for growers, as the yields were high and the quality was very good. Nice cool mild summer, low wind spring, so a great set. No rain, no frost, and no storms – amazingly. Summer arrived with little fog and perfect clear warm (not hot) days allowed for slow grape development retaining natural grape acidity resulting in low alcohol wines with rich concentrated varietal flavors.

Maturation: 100% barrel fermentation and maturation in 60% new 265L French oak "cigar" barrels.

Wine Analysis: Alcohol 12.1%, pH 3.34, and TA 7.6 g/L.

Production: 201 six packs

## *Winemaker comments by:*

## Doug Margerum- Margerum Wine Company Winemaker

**Color:** Straw green tinged, bright and vibrant.

**Aroma:** Pure and focused aromas of brown lime, ruby grapefruit, orange blossom and tangerine. More complex lees/oak derived characters of fig, vanilla bean and crème brulee complete the ethereal experience.

**Palate:** The citrus theme translates to the palate providing linear definition and focus created by the natural grape acidity. Combined with an intricate weave of yeast autolysis characters creating texture, mouthfeel and persistence.

Last tasted: 5 Sep 2013

**Peak Drinking:** Now-2022+