

**SOFIA**  
*Blanc de Blancs*  
**MONTEREY COUNTY**

**2012 SOFIA BLANC DE BLANCS**

Born from the celebration of love, Francis first created the Sofia Blanc de Blancs sparkling wine as a gift from father to daughter. Sofia Blanc de Blancs, a unique blend of Pinot Blanc, Riesling and Muscat, is a delicate sparkling wine perfect for any celebration. It offers seductive flavors, fresh aromatics and light effervescence — all packaged with striking, feminine flair.

**VINEYARD NOTES**

The fruit for our Sofia Blanc de Blancs is grown in the cool vineyards of the Arroyo Seco in northern Monterey County. These vineyards benefit from alluvial deposits and gravelly sandy loam soils, which prevent vine vigor. When the fruit matures more slowly, its flavors and aromas become much more intense.

**WINEMAKER'S NOTES**

We pick our grapes at a lower brix (sugar level) to ensure that our wine has a more modest alcohol content. The fruit is whole-cluster pressed into stainless steel tanks for primary fermentation, and then blended before undergoing secondary fermentation using the Charmat method. Adding small amounts of Riesling into the blend adds a succulent note of pineapple, while the inclusion of Muscat contributes fragrant notes of honeysuckle and apricots.

**TASTING NOTES**

2012 was an excellent vintage. As such, this year's rendition of Sofia Blanc de Blancs delivers a beautiful perfume of pears and honeysuckle followed by lively flavors of honeydew, apple and lime crowned with a hint of minerals.

<b>APPELLATION:</b>	Monterey County
<b>BLEND:</b>	70% Pinot Blanc, 15% Riesling, 15% Muscat
<b>ALCOHOL:</b>	12.0% by volume
<b>STYLE:</b>	Off-dry (1.2% residual sugar)
<b>SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE:</b>	\$19.00

