



## COSENTINO WINERY

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### 2012 THE NOVELIST, NAPA COUNTY

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#### COMPOSITION

53.4% Sauvignon Blanc, 46.6% Semillon

#### TASTING NOTES

Our 2012 The Novelist shows aromatics of lemon blossom, citrus peel, melon and quince paste. On the palate the citrus notes brighten up the structure and help balance the minerality and slight hint of creaminess that developed from the "sur lie" barrel aging. The midpalate reveals honey and tangerine, leading to a zesty lemon peel finish. Expect this wine to age like a red wine for at least a decade in proper storage conditions.

#### WINEMAKING NOTES

Each lot was handpicked, crushed and pressed into tank for juice settling. From there it was racked off of the solids and then barrel fermented in French oak barrels in our cold rooms. Aged for nine months prior to blending and bottling.

The first release of The Novelist in 1982 was inspired by the great and rare white wines from Bordeaux such as Haut Brion Blanc and Chateau Carbonnieux. Our white meritage predates the official formation of the Meritage Association.

#### WINEMAKING INFORMATION

OAK AGING: 9 months in neutral French oak

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

RELEASE DATE: December 2013

PRODUCTION: 455 cases

