

Lail Vineyards



2011 GEORGIA SAUVIGNON BLANC, NAPA VALLEY

THE PEOPLE

Lail Vineyards traces its Napa Valley roots back five generations to the founding of Inglenook in 1879 by Gustav Niebaum, great-granduncle of Robin Daniel Lail. Passed down to third generation owner John Daniel, Jr., Inglenook thrived under his direction from 1933 to 1964 as he played a major role in the development of the Napa Valley appellation. The winery's flagship wine, "J. Daniel Cuvee", is named in his honor.

Lail Vineyards was founded in 1995 by fourth generation vintner Robin Lail and her family to carry the unique family legacy forward into the 21st century. Generations five and six are woven into the tapestry of the venture with the involvement of daughters Erin and Shannon, and with the "Georgia" Sauvignon Blanc named for the first member of the sixth generation. Each year the family continues its passionate quest to produce the very finest wines in the world from the blend of their ingredients – the land, the seasons, the winemaking team and the spirit of the generations who led the way.

"The 2011 Georgia bursts forth from the glass with layers of summer floral tones, including wild flowers, orange blossoms, and undertones of vanilla. Upon closer inspection the initial rush of aromas gives way to an evolution of toasted hazelnuts originating from the careful selection of French oak that has integrated itself well into the wine throughout the long aging process. Once in the mouth the wine is full and voluminous with a texture of supple beeswax and soft yielding tannins. The volume is supported by a soft acidity that stretches across the palate and leads into a pleasant lingering finish that speaks to the harmony of the wine. This wine tastes like summer sunshine..."

—Philippe Melka, Winemaker

PROPRIETORS: The Lail Family
– Robin, Jon, Erin & Shannon

THE WINE: 100% Sauvignon Blanc

WINEMAKER: Philippe Melka

PRODUCTION: 246 cases
248 units of 6x750ml and
40 units of 12x375ml

VINEYARDS: Totem Vineyard - Yountville

RELEASE: Summer 2013

Stephen Tanzer's



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*"Hazy pale yellow. Wonderfully vibrant aromas of green melon, lime, wild herbs and spices. Less plush but more sappy than the outstanding 2010 (which I rated 93 again in March), with the mid-palate offering a burst of pineapple fruit complicated by leesy and herbal nuances. This was aged almost entirely in new oak but the wood element is perfectly integrated. Finishes with outstanding grip and rising length. Really exciting potential. **93-95 points**"*

—Stephan Tanzer, International Wine Cellar