



2023 Moscato Azul **Winemaker Notes/Fact Sheet**

Celebrating our 20th vintage of this very special wine - La Sirena Moscato Azul. First produced in 2003, this is a unique dry Muscat Canelli. Most Muscat (or Moscato) is made into sweet dessert wine - but not this time. In our Moscato Azul, you have all the beautiful floral character of Muscat Canelli, without the sugar. It's a delightful, fun white wine that is incredibly versatile for food pairing, thanks to its floral and tropical flavors. It's absolutely wonderful with Thai, Vietnamese, Indian or fusion cuisine among many others! Just chilled on its own, it's perfect as a refreshing sipping wine to share with friends. This wine is best consumed in 1-2 years, enjoyed fresh and fruity (not meant for aging). Also known for its signature cobalt blue bottle!

Just the Facts:

Harvest Date: 9/14/23 (Calistoga) & 10/9/23 (Lake County)
100% Muscat Canelli, 20% Calistoga, 80% Lake County
Some Chemistry - 13.5% alc, 7.15 TA, 3.45 pH, RS 0.5%
Oak treatment: Zero
Bottling date: Jan 19, 2024
Release date: May 1, 2024
Production: 462 cases in cobalt blue "Azul" glass

Tasting Notes: (tasted 2/12/24 by HPB)

Our 2023 dry Muscat Canelli is a crisp white wine that is highly aromatic with beguiling tropical and floral notes. The aromatics of this wine are always so special – one sniff and you'll fall in love. Very pale straw in color with bold aromas of tropical fruit, lychee, pineapple, guava and white peach. Flavors match the aromas, with a touch of jasmine and green-apple like acidity in the finish. This is such a great wine to enjoy pairing with tons of exciting dishes – go wild! Deliciously well-balanced with a pure, clean flavor profile and silky smooth texture. I love it just as much as I did when I first started making it 20 years ago!

Robert Parker says, "A wine that Heidi Barrett does better than just about anybody in California is her unbelievably fun Moscato Azul..... Reminiscent of northern Italy's famous Moscatos. A slow cold fermentation renders a wine with an explosive perfume of spring flowers and tropical fruits". And... "Barrett has hit pay dirt with a lively, consumer-friendly dry Muscat... It is fresh, light bodied, and crisp... seductive aromatics".

Actor **Alan Rickman**, of *Bottle Shock* fame, once remarked that "it was the most delicious thing ever to pass through his lips". Can't argue with that!

Heidi Peterson Barrett
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