



Savagnin blanc B



Name of the variety in France

Savagnin blanc

Origin

This variety could originally be from Franche-Comté or Palatinat.

Synonyms

In France, this variety can officially be called "Naturé" regarding plant propagation material. In the European Union, Savagnin blanc is officially called by other names: Traminac bijeli (Croatia), Traminac (Slovenia), Traminer (Belgium, Cyprus, Malta), Tramini (Czech republic, Hungary) and Weißer Traminer (Germany).

Legal information

In France, Savagnin blanc is officially listed in the "Catalogue of vine varieties" on the A list and classified. This variety is also listed in the catalogues of other Member States of the European Union: Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Malta and Slovenia.

Use

Wine grape variety.

Evolution of cultivated areas in France

	1958	1968	1979	1988	1998	2008	2018
ha	185	136	207	281	385	454	568

Descriptive elements

The description corresponds to that of Gewurztraminer, except for the skin color of the berries when ripe, which is in this case green yellow.

Genetic profile

Microsatellite	VVS2	VVMD5	VVMD7	VVMD27	VRZAG62	VRZAG79	VVMD25	VVMD28	VVMD32
Allel 1	149	229	243	186	188	246	248	233	239

Microsatellite	VVS2	VVMD5	VVMD7	VVMD27	VRZAG62	VRZAG79	VVMD25	VVMD28	VVMD32
Allel 2	149	236	257	186	194	252	248	235	271

Phenology

Bud burst: same as Chasselas.

Grape maturity: early-season, 1 week and a half after Chasselas.

Suitability for cultivation and agronomic production

This variety is usually trained and pruned long. It is perfectly adapted to marly terroirs.

Susceptibility to diseases and pests

Savagnin blanc is relatively insensitive to diseases particularly to grey rot as the berries skin is thick. On the other hand, it is very susceptible to wood diseases.

Technological potentiality

The bunches and berries are small to very small in size. Savagnin blanc produces powerful, heavy and full-bodied great white wines that are suited to ageing. This variety has a very high sugar accumulation potential while maintaining high acidity levels. Savagnin blanc is especially used for the production of "vins jaunes" (French for "Yellow wines").

Clonal selection in France

The four certified Savagnin blanc clones carry the numbers 611, 612, 613 and 614. A conservatory of 50 or so clones was planted in 1998 in Alsace. An other conservatory of 20 or so clones was planted in the French department of Jura in 2009.

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Description of clones certified in France

Clone no.	Identity and availability		Agronomic data		Technological data	
	Origin	Selection	Fertility	Production level	Sugar level	Color potential
	Year of certification	Agronomic references	Bunch weight	Vigor	Titration acidity	Tannic structure
	Surface area used for propagation (year)		Berry size	Susceptibility to grey rot	Aromatic intensity	Oenological suitability
611	Jura	INRA	medium	medium	medium to high	
	1979	Jura	medium to high		medium	
	0.16 ha					suitable for the production of yellow wines
612	Jura	INRA	medium	medium	medium	
	1979	Jura	medium		medium	
	0.13 ha					fine and aromatic wines, suitable for the production of yellow wines
613	Jura	INRA	medium	medium	medium to high	
	1979	Jura	medium		medium	
	0.16 ha					suitable for the production of yellow wines
614	Jura	INRA	medium	medium	medium to high	
	1979	Jura	medium to high		medium	

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	<i>Year of certification</i>	<i>Agronomic references</i>	<i>Bunch weight</i>	<i>Vigor</i>	<i>Titration acidity</i>	<i>Tannic structure</i>
	<i>Surface area used for propagation (year)</i>		<i>Berry size</i>	<i>Susceptibility to grey rot</i>	<i>Aromatic intensity</i>	<i>Oenological suitability</i>
0.20 ha					fine and aromatic wines, suitable for the production of yellow wines	

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