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**experiment:** *n.* 1) a scientific procedure undertaken to make a discovery, test a hypothesis, or demonstrate a known fact; 2) a course of action tentatively adopted without being sure of the outcome; 3) a series of wines from *OVID Napa Valley* celebrating experimentation in grape growing and winemaking.

AT OVID Napa Valley, experimentation in grape growing and wine-making reflects our ethos – to learn more about the land and what will make the very best wine. We conduct formal experiments on specific topics and participate in a variety of academic and applied studies. And we sometimes try things several ways just to indulge our curiosity and to challenge what we know to be possible in the vineyard and the winery.

Our Experiment wines are a product of this process. Each vintage, we offer small amounts of different wines that we believe will be of special interest to you, allowing you to taste and experience new aspects of our vineyard and winemaking.

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For this unique Experiment blend, we decided to throw out the rule book and re-imagine how white wine in California can be fully realized. The result is an unconventional integration of varieties that we culled from around the state. Deliberately not focused on a single site, varietal or style, the W series is imagination set free, ingenuity unbound.

W9.2 is a distinctive blend of eight grape varieties from six appellations, ranging from coastal mountain tops to rocky valley floors. Working with growers and vineyards from around California provided the ultimate off-the-beaten-track perspective, while farming conversations among the vines, long commutes to far-flung sites and in-between moments of quiet reflection inspired an elevated effort. The result, we believe, is a complete and compelling expression of a new point of view on white wine.

Enticing notes of guava, vanilla, rose water, green pear, crane melon and brioche exude from the 2022 Experiment W9.2. On the palate, seamless precision pairs with vibrant acidity and verve giving this wine both delightful balance and freshness. We hope you enjoy this adventurous experiment in white wine.

AUSTIN PETERSON *Winemaker*