

Sauvignon Blanc 2016

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CRAFTED NEW ZEALAND WINE



Winemaker Notes

This is a very intense and powerful wine. True to its Marlborough origins, its flavours are a mix of ripe tropical fruits, citrus and cooler notes of green fruits and fresh herbs. It is rich and full bodied but a crisp dry finish provides freshness and length.

Vineyards

Vineyard sites in the warm Wairau Valley (70%) and further south in the cooler Awatere Valley were selected for this wine. The Wairau vineyards are planted on the "Southern Clays" with heavier soils providing structure and body to the blended wine. The Awatere Valley vineyards are planted on gravelly free draining soils and due to the cooler nature of these sites, pungent notes of nettle, gooseberry, citrus and pea pod are found in the finished wine. The vineyards are all carefully managed with shoot and crop thinning to limit yield and maximise quality.

Winemaking

The individual vineyard parcels were harvested and transported to the winery for immediate crushing to capture the freshness of the fruit. Fermentation was conducted at cool temperatures utilising selected yeast strains. Post fermentation the wines were left on lees to gain richness and complexity before blending and bottling.

Vintage

The Spring saw cool conditions and lower than average rainfall, however despite changeable weather around flowering it was generally successful with good fruitset. Shoot & bunch thinning was carried out as needed in select vineyards and overall the health of the vines was excellent, resulting in a highly satisfactory harvest.

Food match

Enjoy with:

- Fish/Shellfish
- Salads & Picnics
- Oriental

Tasting Guide



Grapes

Sauvignon Blanc 100.0%

Region

Marlborough

ABV

13.5%

pH

3.35

Total Acidity

7.50 g/l

Residual Sugar

1.7 g/l

Drink now...

Now to 2 years

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