

WINEMAKERS' RESERVE:

Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2017



This Sauvignon Blanc is produced from a selection of grapes from our Marlborough vineyards located in the Waihopai and Awatere Valleys. A combination of both barrel and cool tank fermentation has added complexity and interest to this intensely flavourful wine.

INFORMATION

Grape Varieties	Sauvignon Blanc
Region	Marlborough
Harvest method	Machine
Harvest dates	6 th -20 th April
Harvest Analysis	20.1-21.5 Brix; pH 3.121-3.24; TA 8.2-9.4g/L
Processing	Crushed & de-stemmed.
Fermentation vessel	A selection of 500 & 600L puncheons, 225L barriques and 320L cigars, French oak 25% new
Fermentation	Ferments moved directly to oak as soon as active - 100% wild yeast.
Malolactic	20%
Maturation	Eight months on lees with frequent stirring.
Fining	The juice was lightly fined with gelatine.
Filtration	Yes







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TECHNICAL NOTES

Alcohol	13.0%
TA	6.4 g/l
рН	3.33
Residual sugar	Dry

WINEMAKER NOTES

Nose

Ripe peppers, sweet pea, mandarin and guava elements mingle with more flinty notes. Complexing toffee aromas.

Palate

Powerful, driving and multifaceted. Rich with gooseberry, white stone fruit and displaying a savoury strength. Sweet capsicum lingers with a perception of sweetness on the dry, mineral finish.

Recommended food

Partner it with crumbed chicken breasts dabbed with mustardcream sauce, or with baked salmon, smeared with salsa verde (puréed mint, parsley and capers).

Recommended cellaring	1-7 years
First vintage	2001
AWARDS	
SILVER MEDAL	New Zealand International Wine Show 2018
GOLD MEDAL	Global Sauvignon Blanc Masters 2018
SILVER MEDAL	International Wine Challenge China 2019



