

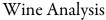


NELSON SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018



Gold - MUNDUS Vini Summer Tasting, 2018

Silver - AWC Vienna, 2018



Vineyard: Seifried Brightwater Vineyard

Sugar at Harvest: 21.9°Brix Date of Harvest: 23 March 2018

pH of Wine: 3.24 T.A of Wine: 8.3g/L Residual Sugar: 2.9g/L

Suitable for Vegetarians and Vegans: Yes

"Distinctive bouquet and palate of Sauvignon Blanc with flavours of grapefruit and tropical fruits, a definitive mineral, fresh herb and sweet hay flavour. Loads of energy too with plenty of acidity, crisp textures and minerality. Dry finish with a flinty, grassy and mineral residue.

Well-made, balanced and refreshing. Drink now and through 2022."

92 points, Cameron Douglas MS, August 2018

The Vineyard

The Brightwater Sauvignon Blanc vines are grown in an extremely stony area of the vineyard where water and nutrient levels are low. This helps us to restrict the plants vigour and to crop at low levels. To further enhance the aromatics we removed leaves to allow light penetration and air movement around the fruiting zone. Our Brightwater vineyard is situated 15km from the coast and is sheltered from the south by the Richmond ranges. The 'soil' is a combination of rocks and boulders, which is very hard on the farm equipment, but vital for holding the warmth of Nelson's sun and for ripening.

Winemakers Note

Aromatic and fresh Sauvignon Blanc flavours were encouraged prior to vintage through careful canopy management. The fruit was de-stemmed and pressed immediately after harvest and a cool fermentation was initiated in stainless steel tanks to retain the clean, fresh aromatic fruit characters.

Tasting Note

The 2018 Aotea by the Seifried family Nelson Sauvignon Blanc has wonderful varietal intensity - dried hops, garden fresh peas and passionfruit aromas come through on the nose. The palate has crisp flavours and fruit intensity which is carried down the length of the palate alongside well balanced acidity.

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