



# OLD COACH ROAD

*Established 1978*

## NELSON SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018

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### Awards

Silver - International Wine Challenge, 2019, UK  
Silver - New York World Wine & Spirits Competition, 2018  
Silver - Japan Wine Challenge, 2018  
Silver - AWC Vienna, 2018  
Silver Outstanding - International Wine & Spirits Competition 2018, UK

### Wine Analysis

Vineyard: Seifried Brightwater and Rabbit Island Vineyards  
Sugar at Harvest: 20.8° Brix  
Date of Harvest: Mid - Late March 2018  
pH of Wine: 3.23  
T.A of Wine: 8.7g/L  
Residual Sugar of Wine: 3.2g/L  
Suitable for Vegetarians and Vegans: Yes

*“Fruity, fleshy, ripe, and varietal with aromas and flavours of grapefruit, golden kiwifruit and apple. Dry on the palate with refreshing acidity and ripe fruit flavours, some grassy fresh herb moments. Balanced and well-made, drinking best now and through 2020.”*

*88 points, Cameron Douglas MS, August 2018*

### The Vineyard

Our Brightwater Vineyard is situated 15 kilometres 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 the grapes.

Our Rabbit Island Vineyards are situated on a wide river flat. The soil is gravelly sandy loam which is very sandy and free draining. These vineyards are about 1.5 kilometres from the sea which helps moderate temperatures.

### Winemakers Note

In the vineyard, leaves were removed from around the fruiting zone to allow light penetration and air movement around the ripening bunches. Parcels of fruit were picked when flavours, sugars and grape acids were nicely in balance, giving fruit with intensely varietal flavours and a fresh, lasting acidity.

### Tasting Note

The 2018 Old Coach Road Sauvignon Blanc is intensely fragrant as it is poured from the bottle. The nose has inviting passionfruit, melon and fresh crushed verbena notes. The palate is clean and flavoursome. Well balanced mineral acidity wraps around appealing layers of intense fruit flavours on the palate, inviting another sip.



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