

WAIPARA HILLS Sauvignon Blanc MARLBOROUGH 2007

Flanked by the ocean, mountains and rivers of the South Island, our vineyards create wines that convey our understanding and passion for the land and the fruit it bears. We are delighted to share this unique environment with you through our special range of wines.

...VITICULTURE COMMENTS

Vineyard: All the fruit for this wine was selected from around the Wairau Valley in Marlborough

Vintage

Conditions: 2007 proved to be a fine vintage in Marlborough, resulting in solid varietal wines. Crop levels were down due to a cold November & the second coldest December on record, but a warm drawn out summer allowed us to choose when to pick the grapes for optimal ripeness and flavour.

...WINEMAKER COMMENTS



Simon McGeorge

Selected from various vineyard sites across the Wairau Valley, each parcel was carefully harvested and de-juiced before being sent to a cool tank to gently settle. Once clear, the juice was then fermented over about 3 weeks using selected aromatic yeasts. Finally when fermentation was completed, the different wine parcels were reassessed, blended, clarified and finished before being run into bottle.

Colour: Pale straw with hints of green

Nose: Gooseberry, blackcurrant and fresh thyme

Palate: A balance of soft texture and lively acidity create the structure within which fresh flavours of blackcurrant, gooseberry and tropical fruits reside.

Serve: Lightly chilled

Food

Match: Preserved lemon risotto with flaked salmon and asparagus

Peak

Drinking: To enjoy the fresh, clean characteristics of this elegant Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc drink now. This wine will however continue to develop and delight over the next 1 to 2 years

Alcohol Volume 13.3%
Acidity (TA) 6.8 g/l
Residual Sugar 3.4 g/l

...WINE ANALYSIS

...AWARDS

Blue Gold medal–Sydney International Wine Show 2007
Gold medal–Der Grosse Internationale Weinpreis 2007
Silver medal–New World Wine Awards 2007 (NZ)
Silver medal–Royal Easter Show Wine Awards 2008 (NZ)
Silver medal–Perth Royal Wine Show 2007

