



WAIPARA HILLS

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At the ends of the earth, high in the mountainous region of New Zealand's South Island, grows the Mountain Buttercup. Delicate and beautiful, it belies its harsh up bringing. Waipara Hills is part of the same wild landscape where vines have survived perilous winters to produce complex, elegant wines for you to enjoy.



2009

sauvignon blanc
MARLBOROUGH
NEW ZEALAND WINE



Simon's Tasting Note:

<i>Colour</i>	<i>Pale yellow and green.</i>
<i>Nose</i>	<i>Ripe and rich, with lifted tropical notes along with fresh herbaceousness.</i>
<i>Palate</i>	<i>A beautifully generous palate, with crisp acidity and a long finish. Once again tropical flavours combined with nettles and capsicum characters to give crispness and structure.</i>
<i>Comments</i>	<i>I'm very pleased with how this wine has come out as it really covers a number of the attributes that good Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc is known for; freshness and crispness in the form of nettles and capsicum, combined with inviting tropical flavours, while still having a mouth filling texture and long finish.</i>
<i>Maturation</i>	<i>100% Stainless steel was used to retain the fresh fruit characters of this wine.</i>
<i>Viticulture</i>	<i>This wine was made from fruit of both the Wairau and the Awatere Valleys of Marlborough.</i>
<i>Vintage</i>	<i>2009 turned out to be a great season in the Marlborough region, allowing the fruit to ripen beautifully and to be harvested in perfect condition.</i>



Winemaker
Simon McGeorge

Wine Analysis:

<i>Alcohol</i>	13.30%	<i>pH:</i>	3.44
<i>Acidity (TA)</i>	7.7g/L	<i>Residual Sugar</i>	3.3 g/L
<i>Peak drinking</i>	2009-2011	<i>Serve:</i>	Lightly chilled

Awards:

*GOLD - Royal Easter Show Wine Awards, 2010 [NZ]
BLUE-GOLD - Sydney International Wine Competition 2010
GOLD - The New Zealand International Wine Show, 2009
BRONZE - Air New Zealand Wine Awards, 2009
4.5 Stars out of 5 - Cuisine Magazine Sauvignon Blanc Tasting, 2009*

