

BLIND RIVER

SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017

Region: Marlborough - Awatere Valley
Winemaker: Marcus Wright/Rebecca Wiffen
Alcohol: 13% **pH:** 3.26 **RS:** 3g/L
TA: 7.g/L **Brix:** 20.4 - 21.2

Tasting Notes

Freshly chopped summer herbs, ripe stonefruit and passionfruit aromas together with a hint of pineapple and attractive mineral tones. The palate is concentrated, with ripe tropical fruit characters with lovely fresh acidity and a fleshy mid-palate. Noticeable texture and weight with a strong chalky, mineral element that is typical of the fruit from this Awatere Valley vineyard. The finish is clean and dry.

Winemaker's Notes

After careful destemming and pressing 90% of the juice was stainless steel tank fermented with selected aromatic yeasts. The other 10% was fermented with wild yeast from the vineyard in old French barriques to provide additional complexity. The wine was then held on yeast lees for three months before bottling.

Viticulture Notes

The Blind River vineyard in Marlborough's Awatere Valley is planted only in Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Noir. the soils are deep, stony clay with seams of free-draining clay-mixed gravels on river terraces. The vineyard is split into blocks with each harvested separately and the corresponding wines are individually fermented and handmade ready for blending to achieve the ultimate in style and quality.

Cellaring

Cellar for up to five years.

Food Match

Goat cheese, feta, asparagus, capsicum, shellfish, whitebait and other seafood, a Greek salad, fresh herbs, or any dish with tomato, fennel, rocket, capers and pesto.





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Awards & Reviews

Sydney International Wine Competition 2018 - Blue Gold

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This single-vineyard wine is partly barrel-fermented(10%). Already drinking well the 2017 vintage has a punchy, aromatic bouquet, leading into a mouthfilling, lively, smooth wine with melon, lime and capsicum flavours, a slightly salty streak and a distinct touch of complexity.

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