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SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016

Region: Marlborough

Winemaker: Marcus Wright/Rebecca Wiffen

Alcohol: 13% **pH:** 3.25 **RS:** 2.8g/L

TA: 7.0g/l **Brix:** 21 - 22.3

Tasting Notes

Complex aromas of lemongrass, lime, passionfruit, melon and red capsicum all compete on the nose whilst the palate is supported by delightful fresh cut grass and tropical fruit notes. This Sauvignon Blanc has great concentration, length and a fresh, dry finish.

Winemaker's Notes

We made this wine a little differently than previous vintages with the addition of 7% wild yeast fermentation, 6% was fermented in old French oak barriques with the balance in stainless steel tanks (87%).

Viticulture Notes

The grapes were picked in immaculate condition. The 2015/16 growing season was dry and warm allowing long, slow ripening and the development of bright fruit characters. Produced from a range of vineyards, two thirds from our Waihopai Valley and Chaytors Road vineyards and the balance from southern side of the Wairau Valley.

Cellaring

Enjoy now or cellar for two to four years

Food Match

Vegan friendly wine - Wonderful with a Greek salad, any seafood dish, fresh green herbs, red tomato based sauces and of course, fresh Marlborough green-lipped mussels.



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Awards & Reviews

Royal Easter Show Wine Awards 2017 - Silver medal

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San Francisco International Wine Competition 2017 - Silver medal

New Zealand International Wine Show 2016 - Silver medal

The Global Sauvignon Blanc Masters 2016 - Silver Medal

Wine Orbit - Sam Kim - 93/100

Lawson's Dry Hills Sauvignon Blanc 2016. It is fabulously aromatic on the nose showing passionfruit, nectarine, feijoa and lemongrass characters. The palate is concentrated and flavoursome, and offers excellent fruit purity and vibrancy, brilliantly structured by juicy acidity. The wine is up front and delectable. At its best: now to 2019. \$20.00. www.lawsonsdryhills.co.nz. April 2017.

Raymond Chan Wine Reviews - Five Stars

★★★★★

Lawson's Dry Hills Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc 2016 Bright pale straw colour, near colourless on the rim. The nose is very rich in fruit with firmly concentrated aromas of pungent passionfruit along with savoury herbs, notes of cut grass, green stonefruits and subtle hints of smoke. The aromatics are densely packed and interwoven, opening in volume with aeration. Dry to taste and medium-bodied, the palate has rich, luscious and lively mouthfilling flavours of passionfruit, gooseberries, green stonefruits, and slightly savoury, smoky herb nuances. This has weight and presence, and the dense core flows smoothly along a soft-textured line with balanced acidity and energy. The wine carries to a long finish of passionfruit and green stonefruits. This is a rich and well-concentrated Sauvignon Blanc with layers of passionfruit, green stonefruits and savoury herb elements. Match with Pacific Rim fare over the next 2 years. 100% Marlborough fruit, two-thirds from the company's Waihopai Valley and Chaytors Road vineyards, and the balance from the southern side of the Wairau Valley, 7% indigenous yeast fermented, and 6% in seasoned French oak barriques, the remainder conventionally in stainless-steel to 13.0% alc. and 2.8 g/L RS. 18.5+20 Apr 2017 RRP \$20.00

International Wine Challenge 2017 (Tranche 1) - Silver medal

Bob Campbell MW - Four Stars - 92 points

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Bright, fresh, tangy Sauvignon Blanc with snow pea, juicy green capsicum, gooseberry and bright passionfruit flavours. The wine has an ethereal texture and mouth-watering finish.

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