

Blackenbrook Sauvignon Blanc 2021

Lively and fragrant with a captivating line of citrus and gooseberry, our Sauvignon Blanc 2021 delivers excellent weight and concentration, elegantly balanced with a dash of juicy acidity.

It's our Moutere clay soils, the dazzling Nelson sun and the finger prints of our team that make our wines unique. We hope you'll enjoy.



Season Overview: Mother Nature threw some hefty challenges at us with unsettled weather and gale-force wind in spring followed by a hail storm on Boxing Day.

The humid and cold conditions in December made pollination difficult, resulting in small bunches with far less berries than usual.

Luckily we dodged the worst of the hail storm in December and only the Pinot Noir suffered some damage.

In January the weather finally turned and the sun kept smiling down on us right into harvest. On 15 March we started picking beautifully healthy grapes of outstanding fruit concentration. Just smaller than wished for volumes...

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Sustainable Winegrowing New Zealand

Vineyard: Fruit exclusively from our home block
Clone: Sauvignon Blanc MS
Soil: Moutere clay with a layer of sandy loam
Extensive manual shoot thinning and leaf plucking to keep canopy healthy and dry, hand-picked in pristine condition on 22 March 2021, 22.7 Brix

Winery: Extremely gentle winemaking, whole bunch pressed, gravity-fed from press area to main winery, cool fermentation, extended lees contact, minimal pumping, **no fining** pre-bottling
4% oak-aged for added complexity
3.1g/ltr natural residual sugar
Bottled on 12 July 2021, 13.0% alcohol

5 Stars Yvonne Lorkin, yvonnelorkin.com

This wine has some **serious pedigree** and it's not only one of Nelson's finest examples, it's also one of the greatest \$20 sauvignon blancs in the country. I say this because it's so **powerfully aromatic**, with lemongrass, lime zest, sweet pea and tropical intensity on the nose and palate. The acid/alcohol/fruit sweetness balance is expertly handled, the textures are generous and juicy and the finish is long and persistent.

4 ½ Stars Michael Cooper, NZ Listener, 6 Nov 2021