Blackenbrook Pinot Blanc 2023

Floral and vibrant, our Pinot Blanc 2023 is layered with peach, jasmine and spice notes. This white mutation of pinot noir has a bright texture and charming purity.

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.





The Season: Our **20th year** of growing grapes at Blackenbrook Vineyard!

Mother Nature gave us beautiful spring weather for flowering and pollination, setting us up for a good crop.

Summer was quite wet and the vines grew at a crazy pace. We kept mowing, trimming and leaf-plucking the fruit zone but it was a real struggle to stay on top of the phenomenal growth.

Going into harvest the fruit was clean but extremely fragile – and so were our nerves. But two weeks of stunning autumn weather was all we needed to hand-pick our biggest crop ever with beautiful ripeness and flavours – a challenging season with a happy ending.

Vegan friendly wine



From **Sustainable Production**, accredited by Sustainable Winegrowing New Zealand

Vineyard: fruit exclusively from our home block Clones GM1, GM2 and GM7 Moutere clay with a layer of sandy loam Extensive manual shoot thinning and leaf plucking Hand-picked in pristine condition on 24 March 2023 with 23.5 Brix

Winery: gentle whole bunch pressing gravity-fed from press area to main winery, cool fermentation to enhance aromatics, extended lees contact, minimal pumping, 4% oak-aged for added complexity, **no fining** pre-bottling, 8g/ltr natural residual sugar, bottled on 28 July 2023 under screw capsules, **off-dry**, 14.0% alcohol

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95/100 (Gold) Bob Campbell MW, therealreview.com5 Stars Yvonne Lorkin, yvonnelorkin.com4½ Stars Michael Cooper, michaelcooperwines.com

Food Match: Thai style steamed fish, seafood chowder, New Zealand crayfish, pumpkin risotto, creamy pasta, grilled asparagus, Alsatian onion tart