

Blackenbrook Sauvignon Blanc 2020

Highly aromatic and focused, our Sauvignon Blanc 2020 is vibrantly fruity with pure passionfruit and gooseberry flavours supported by an interwoven thread of 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: What a blast! The past growing season was a pure delight, putting smiles on everyone's face!

The vines loved the gentle spring rain and quickly produced a healthy, vibrantly green canopy. In December, our Nelson sun made for perfect flowering and good pollination.

Summer brought many weeks of blue skies, interspersed with brief rain falls, just enough to keep the soil moisture up and the vines thriving.

We couldn't believe our luck when we saw this weather pattern continue right into harvest in mid-March! The fruit was in perfect condition with high sugar levels and tremendous flavour intensity, probably the best we've ever seen it! As Covid-19 started to cast long shadows over the country, we managed to complete harvest 2020 just hours before the start of lockdown!

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



Vegan wine, certified by the **New Zealand Vegetarian Society**



Viticulture

- 100% fruit from our **Home block**
- Moutere clay soil with a layer of sandy loam
- Clone: Sauvignon Blanc MS
- Manual shoot thinning and leaf plucking
- Hand-picked on 23 March 2020 with 22.5 Brix

Winemaking

- Extremely **gentle winemaking**: gravity-fed from press area to main winery, cool fermentation, ex-tended lees contact, minimal pumping, **no fining** pre-bottling
- Oak-ageing for 3% of the wine to add complexity
- 3.2g/ltr natural residual sugar
- Bottled on 11 July 2020, 13.5% alcohol

5 Stars Yvonne Lorkin, yvonnelorkin.com

Extremely fresh and packed with tropical intensity, crunchy citrus and cressy-herbaceousness it's an excellent example of Nelson niceness. Lime-laden with layers of melon and jalapeno, it has beautiful balance, minerality, tension, power on the palate and impressive generosity and texture. Love it!

93/100 Cameron Douglas MS, camdouglasms.com
4½ Stars Michael Cooper michaelcooperwines.com