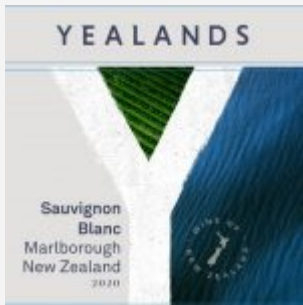


Peter Yealands Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc New Zealand 2020

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Final Deductions

VINTAGE 2020

GRAPE Sauvignon Blanc/Blend

GEOGRAPHY Not Europe

COUNTRY New Zealand

LARGER REGION South Island

SMALLER REGION Marlborough

Rationale

Although it seems like it has been around forever, Sauvignon Blanc was first introduced to New Zealand's Marlborough region only in 1973. Located in the north of NZ's South Island, Marlborough is a special spot—cool and dry with over 2,300 sunshine hours per year and a long moderate growing season. It is also uniquely shielded from storms on all sides and possesses a series of different subzones, most notably those of the southern Wairau's Brancott and Fairhall subzones (producing unmistakable cooler style wines with classic olive, gooseberry, green/bell pepper and other capsicum flavors) while the Northern Areas (including Kaituna & Rapaura and located along the Wairau River and Rapaura Road) are generally home to riper, more tropical, rich citrus, and high tone stone fruit, nuanced styles.

Over the years a few other new spots have been developed including the Awatere Valley (Maori for Fast Stream). Cooler and located south over Wither Hills and with more rolling hills than the plains of Wairau, this is an exciting zone worth following.

Usually pungent and aggressive, Yealands Sauvignon Blanc emanates from selected parcels of Sauvignon Blanc were harvested from Awatere and Wairau Valley vineyards. Typically Marlborough, this bottling exhibits telltale notes of passion fruit and guava, underpinned with aromas of fresh green herbs and vegetables with a long, crisp, mineral finish.

Sight

BRIGHTNESS Brilliant

CLARITY Clear

COLOR DEPTH Light

COLOR Straw

HIGHLIGHTS Silver

BUBBLES No

Structure

RESIDUAL SUGAR Dry

ACID Med+

ALCOHOL Medium

PHENOLS None

TEXTURE Lean / Tart

FINISH Med+

COMPLEXITY Med+

Aroma & Taste

CITRUS FRUIT Key Lime • Grapefruit (Pink) • Lime • Grapefruit (W/Y) *Condition: Fresh, Ripe*
Part: Flesh, Peel / Zest

TREE/VINE FRUIT Fig (Green) • Apple (Green) • Gooseberry • Grape (Green)
Condition: Under Ripe / Tart, Fresh, Ripe

TROPICAL FRUIT Mango • Melon (Green) • Starfruit • Guava • Passion Fruit *Condition: Fresh, Ripe*

FLORAL Apple Blossom • Elderflower • Jasmine • Lemon / Lime Blossom • Gardenia *Condition: Fresh*

GREEN VEGETABLE Jalapeño • Salad Greens • Green Onion / Leek • Green Peppers • Grass / Alfalfa

OTHER VEGETABLE Fennel / Anise • Mushrooms (White) • Radishes • Tomato Leaf

HERBAL Chive • Lemon Grass • Cilantro • Sorrel • Parsley

ANIMAL Cat Pee

OAK AGING No