



SAUVIGNON BLANC

WINE SPECIFICATION

Vintage | 2023

Grape variety | 100% Sauvignon Blanc

Oak maturation | 47% of the wine spent 5 months in French Barriques. 2% in new oak and the balance 1 and 4 year old oak

Typical analysis | 12.0% Alc/Vol / Standard drinks: 7.1

Release date | September 2023

TASTING NOTES

Colour | Pale straw-green.

Aroma

Complex with a ripe fruit core. The wine opens with blackcurrant, nettle, guava, lychee and passionfruit. There are subtle savoury-cedar oak notes that are so well integrated that they merely add a subtle richness to the aroma.

Palate

Rich and full with a creamy-mineral texture and fine acidity. There are intense flavours of nettle, lime, guava, and passionfruit with subtle cedar oak. The wine has a long clean finish with refreshing acidity. A sauvignon blanc that packs fruit punch, complexity and great drinkability.

Food matches

Goats cheese salad with asparagus, scallops with pea puree.

Peak drinking | Drink now to 2026.

WINEMAKERS COMMENTS

Viticulture

Handpicked fruit from the open lyre trellis “Home Block” vineyard went into this Sauvignon Blanc. The 2023 vintage was a cool and mild year for white grapes in Margaret River allowing plenty of time during January and February to ripen the fruit to our specification.

Winemaking

The fruit was harvested very early in the morning, then sent immediately to the winery for processing. 53% of the wine was fermented in stainless steel with a known yeast strain. The remaining wine was fermented in French barriques with 30% of the blend being fermented with wild yeast on medium to high solids. The final blend was put together in July 2023.

Storage/Bottling

Bottled under screw cap into a premium burgundy bottle in August 2023. After elevating the Sauvignon Blanc to the ‘Premium’ status within the Forester range in 2009, we have further increased the structure and complexity of the wine through barrel fermentation, partial wild fermentation and storage on lees.



SAUVIGNON BLANC ACHIEVEMENTS

2023 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Perth Royal Wine Awards 2023 | **TROPHY - Best Sauvignon Blanc of the Show**

Perth Royal Wine Awards 2023 | **GOLD**

2022 SAUVIGNON BLANC

London Int. Wine Challenge 2023 | **Silver**

Decanter World Wine Awards 2023 | **Silver** 92 points

2021 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Sydney Royal Wine Show 2022 | **GOLD** top in class, 95 pts

Royal Queensland Awards 2022 | **Silver**

Margaret River Wine Show 2021 | **Silver**

The National Wine Show of Australia 2022 | **Bronze**

Wine Show of Western Australia 2021 | **Bronze**

Perth Royal Wine Awards 2022 | **Bronze**

Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2022 | **Bronze**

Royal Hobart Wine Show 2022 | **Bronze**

2020 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Wine Show of Western Australia 2020 | **GOLD**

Winestate Magazine - Best of the West Wine Show - **WINNER**

Top in Category | **5 Stars**

Winestate Magazine 2020 | **5 Stars** - equal top in category

London Int. Wine Challenge 2021 | **Silver**

Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2021 | **Silver**

Perth Royal Wine Awards 2021 | **Silver**

2019 SAUVIGNON BLANC

The National Wine Show of Australia 2019 | **Bronze**

Perth Royal Wine Awards 2019 | **Bronze**

Royal Hobart Wine Show 2019 | **Bronze**

2018 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Perth Royal Wine Awards 2018 | **GOLD**

Wine Showcase Magazine, **94 Points** | **GOLD**

Wine Show of Western Australia 2018 | **Silver**

Royal Melbourne Wine Show 2018 | **Silver**

Sydney Royal Wine Show 2019 | **Bronze**

2017 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Margaret River Wine Show 2017 | **GOLD**

Winestate Best New Releases 2017 | **4.5 Stars**

London Int. Wine Challenge 2018 | **Silver**

Wine Show of WA Mount Barker 2017 | **Silver**

Royal Hobart Wine Show 2017 | **Bronze**

Royal Sydney Wine Show 2017 | **Bronze**

Decanter World Wine Awards 2018 | **Commended**

2016 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Sydney International Wine Competition 2016 | **BLUE GOLD**

Sydney International Wine Competition 2016 | **TOP 100**

Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2016 | **GOLD**

Australian Small Winemakers Show 2016 | **GOLD**

London Int. Wine Challenge 2017 | **Silver**

Perth Royal Wine Show 2016 | **Bronze**

Margaret River Wine Show 2016 | **Bronze**

Royal Hobart Wine Show 2016 | **Bronze**

2015 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2015 | **Silver**

Australian Small Winemakers Show 2015 | **Silver**

QANTAS WA Wine Show 2015 | **Bronze**

Perth Royal Wine Show 2015 | **Bronze**

Margaret River Wine Show 2015 | **Bronze**

Royal Hobart Wine Show 2015 | **Bronze**

Rutherglen Wine Show 2015 | **Bronze**

2014 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Ray Jordan, West Weekend, 17th January 2015 | **92 Points**

Royal Adelaide Wine Show 2014 | **Bronze**

Perth Royal Wine Show 2014 | **Bronze**

PREVIOUS VINTAGE ACCOLADES FOR THIS WINE

WineGenius.com 2013 Sauvignon Blanc | **95 Points**

Wine Showcase Magazine, 2013 Sauvignon Blanc | **94 Points**

Ray Jordan 2010 - 2009 Sauvignon Blanc | **90 Points**

Ray Jordan 2007 - 2006 Sauvignon Blanc | **92 Points**

Gold Medals | 2

Silver Medals | 7

Bronze Medals | 25

JAMES HALLIDAY WINE COMPANION

2022 Sauvignon Blanc - 92 Points *

2021 Sauvignon Blanc - 92 Points *

2020 Sauvignon Blanc - 94 Points *

2019 Sauvignon Blanc - 94 Points *

2018 Sauvignon Blanc - 95 Points *

2017 Sauvignon Blanc - 94 Points *

2016 Sauvignon Blanc - 94 Points *

2015 Sauvignon Blanc - 94 Points *

2014 Sauvignon Blanc - 95 Points *

2013 Sauvignon Blanc *

(Plus Best of Sauvignon Blanc 2015 List)- 95 Points

2012 Sauvignon Blanc - 94 Points

2011 Sauvignon Blanc - 94 Points

2010 Sauvignon Blanc - 94 Points

2009 Sauvignon Blanc - 90 Points

2008 Sauvignon Blanc - 90 Points

2007 Sauvignon Blanc - 93 Points

2006 Sauvignon Blanc - 93 Points

2005 Sauvignon Blanc - 89 Points

2004 Sauvignon Blanc - 92 Points

2003 Sauvignon Blanc - 90 Points