



SPY VALLEY Sauvignon Blanc 2022



Country

New Zealand

Region

Marlborough

Subregion

Wairau Valley

Viticulturist

Adam McCone

Winemakers

Wendy Stuckey & Emily Gaspard-Clark

Certifications

Sustainable Winegrowing New Zealand,
Appellation Wine Marlborough (AMW)

Varietal Blend

100% Sauvignon Blanc

Alcohol Content

12.5%

Residual Sugar

1.6 g/L

Total Acidity

6.9 g/L

Soil Type

Alluvial silt loam over
gravel, well drained

Serving Note

Vegan friendly

HISTORY

In the 1990's, deep in the Waihopai Valley, Bryan and Jan Johnson established 180 hectares/445 acres of estate vineyards on land considered too hard, too dry and too unfertile for wine. This pioneering spirit is one of New Zealand's most successful and Marlborough's few remaining 100% Kiwi family-owned wineries. Located up the road from a US government listening post (the Spy base) - Spy Valley Wines focuses on a sustainable philosophy and shares their secrets with us through every bottle. Sauvignon Blanc 2022 was selected for Appellation Marlborough Wine's 2022 Annual Collection - a benchmark for Marlborough Sauvignon Blancs and for others to strive to be.

VINIFICATION and MATURATION

Harvested at peak flavor maturity. The flowering period experienced near perfect weather patterns throughout winter, resulting in even crops and healthy canopies to ripen the fruit. Perfect ripening conditions ensued the following months. Daily monitoring of the vineyards during harvest was key to maintaining wine quality throughout the season. Gentle juice extraction and cold settled, fermented in stainless steel tanks and a portion in older oak with a range of aromatic yeasts.

TASTING NOTES

Distinctive flavors of passionfruit and sweet lime intermingled with layers of minerality. Mid-palate is rich and textured with a mouth-watering acidity.

ACCOLADES

GOLD

Aotearoa Regional Wine Competition (ARWC), 2022

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Winestate Magazine, 2022

