



## Reviews & Accolades

### **SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017**

#### WINEORBIT.CO.NZ

Sam Kim, October 2017

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5 Stars & 93 Points

Instantly appealing, the fragrant bouquet shows green rockmelon, passionfruit, lime zest and feijoa characters. The palate is succulent and concentrated, and delivers loads of tasty flavours backed by bright acidity. The wine is pristine and flavoursome, and offers excellent drinking. At its best: now to 2020.

#### PETER SAUNDERS

Peter Saunders, September 2017

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5 Stars

Quite a bracing style this vintage, crisp, fresh and yet mouth-filling. I think this is one of the best in the Hunter's Sauvignon line-up over the past few years. Loads of fruit, true to variety and region, a stylish, very enjoyable style to enjoy over the next 2-3 years at least.

#### YVONNELORKIN.COM

Yvonne Lorkin, January 2018

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4.5 Stars

I really love the elderflower, lemon pith and passionfruit aromas and its plethora of deeply punchy and pungent flavours. Hunter's are an absolute aristocrat when it comes to creating darn delicious sauvignon blanc, because they've seen it all and been through everything nature could possibly throw at them, so they know how to ensure that only the best makes it into the bottle. Ripe, robust and really, really delicious.

#### THE SHOUT MAGAZINE

Cameron Douglas MS, June 2018

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91 Points

Classic bouquet of Marlborough with aromas and flavours of mango and passionfruit, apple and citrus. A decent level of fresh herb and jalapeno spice. Lush, juicy and fruity and classic on the palate with a just dry finish. Balanced, fresh and well made. Drink now and through 2021.

#### AIR NEW ZEALAND WINE AWARDS

October 2017

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Silver Medal

## WINENZ MAGAZINE

Summer 2017 - 2018

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4 Stars

Simon Nash: Fresh, quite juicy. Good mid-palate weight. A good herbal finish.

Dave McKee: Moderate hue. Fresh, vegetal. A slightly salty front palate. Crisp and clean with nice length.

Barry Riwai: Sweaty boxwood notes, mango. Big bolshy style, but with enough acidity to give balance. Some saltiness too.

## RAYMONDCHANWINEREVIEWS.CO.NZ

Raymond Chan, October 2017

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4 Stars & 18.0 / 20 Points

Bright, very pale straw colour with slight green hues, near colourless on the rim. The nose is soft and gently voluminous with moderate depth of pungent passionfruit and subtle gooseberry fruit aromas, unfolding fragrant white florals and fresh herb notes. Dry to taste and medium-bodied, the palate has bright and lively, thirst-quenching flavours of pungent passionfruit and gooseberries with notes of fresh herbs and florals. The mouthfeel is zesty with brisk acidity, and the palate has soft phenolic textures that carry the fruit flavours to a lingering, soft finish. This is a gently voluminous Sauvignon Blanc with pungent passionfruit and fragrant gooseberry flavours, lifted by floral and herb notes on a brisk palate with soft textures. Serve with Pacific Rim fare over the next 2 years. Fruit from the Wairau Valley, the juice cloudy with solids fermented partially with indigenous yeasts in stainless-steel and 5% in French oak puncheons to 12.0% alc. and 0.86 g/L RS, the wine aged on lees.