



Reviews & Accolades

## **ESTATE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016**

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Raymond Chan, November 2016

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4 Stars & 18.0+ / 20 Points

Bright, pale straw-yellow colour, lighter on the rim. The nose is soft and gently voluminous with aromas of passionfruit and tropical fruit, along with subtle layers of white and yellow florals, fresh herbs and nuances on minerals. The aromas form a gentle core, but shows freshness, poise and finesse. Dry to taste and medium-full bodied, the palate is crisp, zesty and lively with racy acidity underlying a heart of fresh passionfruit entwined with tropical fruits, and notes of white florals and herbs. The wine flows along a fine-textured, dry, thirst-quenching line with plenty of acid energy and drive. The wine carries to a mouthwatering finish of passionfruit, herbs and minerals. This is a fresh, bright and lively Sauvignon Blanc with passionfruit and herb flavours and a zesty mouthfeel, on a dry, fine-textured line. Serve with Pacific Rim fare over the next 2+ years. Fruit including for the first time a portion from the 'Rua' vineyard, cool-fermented in stainless-steel with 5% in French oak to 13.5% alc. and 1.75 g/L RS, the barrel portion aged 3 months in oak.

MICHAEL COOPER'S NZ WINE BUYER'S GUIDE 2017

Michael Cooper, November 2016

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4 Stars

The 2016 vintage is aromatic, mouthfilling, vibrantly fruity and dry, with ripely herbaceous flavours, crisp and finely poised. Best drinking 2017+.