



DOMAIN ROAD *vineyard*

Sauvignon Blanc 2013

A sheltered north-facing valley on the upper terraces above the Kawarau River at Bannockburn is home to Domain Road Vineyard. The unique terroir with unusual soils and distinctive micro-climate make this old gold mining area ideal for producing premium cool climate wines.

Sauvignon Blanc vines are planted in two locations – on Templar's Hill, untouched by the 19th century gold miners and on Doctor's Flat, where mining has exposed rich mineral clays atop a 10-million year old lake bed.

The Wine

The grapes were hand harvested in two portions on 12th and 13th April 2013. The fruit was destemmed and crushed before pressing and inoculating with wine yeasts in stainless steel tanks. After inoculation 24% was transferred to French Oak barriques to barrel ferment. A touch of residual sugar was retained to balance the natural acidity of the wine.

The colour of pale straw our Sauvignon Blanc is a dry style, complex wine with good mouth feel and texture and a long lingering finish. Aromas of gooseberry, passionfruit and citrus on the nose are complemented by intense flavours of gooseberry and passionfruit on the palate alongside hints of stone fruit and citrus.

Food matches: Fish and seafood.

Variety	100% Sauvignon Blanc
Appellation	Central Otago
Sub Region	Bannockburn
pH	3.16
TA	6.60g/L
Harvested at	April 2013
Residual Sugar	4g/L
Alcohol	13.5%

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