



LEEFIELD
— STATION —

SAUVIGNON BLANC 2020

ORIGIN

Leefield Station, Waihopai Valley, Marlborough.

VARIETY

100% Sauvignon Blanc.

VINTAGE

The growing season and harvest of 2020 was a thoroughly “good news” story despite the challenges thrown at us by COVID-19.

Bud burst came early this season, but cool dry weather meant leaf development and canopy growth was drawn out. By November temperatures warmed up and rainfall levels returned to near normal. By December the above average warmth contributed to early and speedy flowering in early season varieties such as Chardonnay and Pinot Noir.

Between Christmas and March, the season bounced back strongly with a very consistent period of hot, dry weather; the driest Marlborough has seen in 88 years. Harvest began with fruit for our sparkling wine programme and moved swiftly through our Waihopai River Vineyard and finally onto cooler areas of Leefield Station. We believe the quality of the wine to come from our Waihopai and Southern Valleys vineyards will make 2020 memorable – delivering aromatic wines full of bright and exuberant freshness – a vintage to be remembered for more than just a pandemic.

WINEMAKING

The fruit was gently pressed to minimise skin contact and the resulting juices were fermented in temperature-controlled tanks with select yeast strains chosen for their ability to showcase the varietal intensity and mouthfeel of Sauvignon Blanc.

ANALYSIS

Alcohol	13.0%
pH	3.0
Titrateable Acidity	7.06g/L
Residual Sugar	2.3g/L

TASTING NOTE

Fragrant and enticing aromatics of gooseberries and freshly-clipped greens are complemented by a lively citrus zest. The palate is audacious, showing hints of red capsicum and kaffir lime, enhanced by a backbone of vibrant acidity and boundless length.

FOOD MATCHING

The 2020 Leefield Station Sauvignon Blanc will pair beautifully with freshly grilled seafood, served with a selection of in season salad greens.

CELLARING POTENTIAL

Crafted to be enjoyed at the peak of its vibrancy and freshness, we recommend drinking this wine within 2–3 years of vintage date.

