

# The CROSSINGS

## SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017

Awatere Valley, Marlborough, New Zealand

### THE STORY OF THE CROSSINGS

The Crossings' 100% Awatere Valley sourcing offers you The Purest Expression of New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc. With distinctive elegance, our award-winning wines are estate grown and express the intense fruit and mineral flavors that make Awatere Valley wine such a distinctive experience.

### VITICULTURE / WINEMAKING

The Awatere Valley experienced a mild-to-cool spring period, which ensured that the vines naturally produced lighter than average yields. These mild temperatures then extended into the summer months, coupled with an unseasonal period of rain, which ultimately alleviated the drought conditions we had experienced over the past two years. Carrying lighter than usual crops along with the cooler weather meant vintage started only a week later than previous years. We harvested the grapes over a two week period, picking each block at the point of optimum flavor development. This year's wines are perfectly balanced by our hallmark fresh minerality.

This wine was made from fruit sourced from our three Awatere Valley vineyards; Medway, Willowflat and Brackenfield. Each parcel was picked and fermented separately, allowing us to enhance varietal character using carefully selected yeast strains. A long, cool fermentation took place over four weeks, followed by blending, stabilization and filtering prior to bottling.

### TASTING NOTES

The Crossings Sauvignon Blanc shows lifted grassy, herbal notes, underpinned with citrus notes. The palate is full with pure fruit flavors, yet balanced with a persistent, crisp mineral finish. Enjoy with both fresh and cooked seafood dishes such as oysters, prawns, and fish.

### VINTAGE INFORMATION

**Vineyards:** Awatere Valley

**ALC:** 12.5%

**Titrateable Acid:** 7.20 g/l

**pH:** 3.26

**Residual Sugar:** 3.9 g/l



New Zealand Wine Producer of the Year 2014

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