



BULL PADDOCK VINEYARD SAUVIGNON BLANC – 2021

TASTING NOTES

Vibrant aromas of passionfruit, guava and tropical fruit that follow through to the palate. These intense fruit flavours are complemented by an intriguing saline minerality and vibrant acidity. This wine is immediately expressive but will continue to drink well for the next five years.

THE VINEYARD

Our Bull Paddock Vineyard is located in the Dillons Point sub-region of Marlborough's lower Wairau Valley. The land was originally used for raising bulls, before the Neylon family realised the potential of the site and planted it in Sauvignon Blanc. The young, free-draining, alluvial soils now produce grapes with elevated aromatics and ripe flavours. We believe this sub-region grows the best Sauvignon Blanc in all of Marlborough.

WINEMAKING

The Bull Paddock Vineyard is only minutes from our winery, the proximity minimises skin contact prior to pressing, allowing us to capture all the expressive fruit flavour and aroma, without bitter phenolics. After harvest, the grapes were gently pressed before individual parcels were batch fermented in stainless steel, using a selection

of yeast strains chosen to enhance aromatics. 2021 was another unique vintage, one of the earliest and shortest on record. The growing season was the third in a series of drought vintages, the stress on the vines was compounded by a huge wind run. The combination of some early frost events and a poor flowering resulted in lower yields and smaller bunches than usual. This, combined with the dry conditions, has meant that disease levels are incredibly low this year, resulting in better flavours and pristine fruit with good concentration. We're thrilled with the concentration and intensity of flavour in our 2021 wines, this vintage will be one to remember.

THE STORY

Our Single Vineyard wines hail from premium vineyard sites and represent the best of our region. Each bottle of Rapaura Springs tells the story of a lifetime. Of water and wine, and of generations of family working

with nature. Our label depicts the rocky aquifer at our home vineyard, and the pristine springs that connect it to our land. We make exceptional wines that reflect our remarkable landscapes, pure waterways and passionate people.

ACCOLADES

Double Gold – Six Nations Wine Challenge, 2019

Gold – NZIWS, 2020, 2019

95 Points – Bob Campbell MW, 2020, 2018

95 Points – Cameron Douglas MS, 2020

5 Stars – Michael Coopers Buyers Guide, 2019

19/20 – Joelle Thomson, 2020

Alcohol: 13.5%

Total acidity: 6.8g/l

Residual sugar: 3.6g/l

Bottle Barcode: 9421003771024

Carton Barcode: 194210037703

