



Sauvignon Semillon

What the press say

"Pegasus Bay Sauvignon Semillon is one of my favourite New Zealand Wines"

- Joelle Thomson, www.joellethomson.com NZ

2017

★★★★★ **95/100** "... **Gorgeously complex and engaging** ... concentrated palate that's vibrant and richly textured at the same time ... **opulent and powerful** ... mouth-watering."

- Sam Kim, www.wineorbit.co.nz, NZ

94/100 " a very complex and zesty style ... a **rich, powerfully concentrated frame.** ... "

- Nick Stock, www.jamesSuckling.com, USA

★★★★★ " ... The distinctive North Canterbury wine has **loads of personality** ... and a **tightly structured, lasting finish**".

- Michael Cooper, *Listener magazine*, NZ

2016

92/100 " ... the palate is **well balanced and quite precise and detailed**, presenting a fine bead of acidity ... **Excellent**"

- Antonio Galloni, *Vinous*, US

★★★★★ **18.5/20** " ... The nose is firmly concentrated and beautifully proportioned with elegant, but intensely concentrated aromas **Elegant, vibrant, finely concentrated**"

- Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

★★★★★ **94/100** "Concentrated and quite funky wine, with weight and texture

- Bob Campbell MW. www.bobcampbell.nz, NZ

2015

93/100 "**A very concentrated full-tilt take on the Style** . A wealth of ripe lemon, cool herbs and bright tropical fruit accents as well as papaya on the palate. Flesh and acidity are well matched".

- Nick Stock, www.jamesSuckling.com, USA

★★★★★ "**An absolute classic**, none of our judges were surprised..... absolutely set the bar for this exotic and exciting style over the decades. ...**Gorgeous stuff.**"

- Yvonne Lorkin, *Dish magazine*, NZ

"**This is one of the South Island's most complex and interesting white wines** richly textural white, modelled on the best Bordeaux whites and putting Canterbury's finest"

- Joelle Thomson, www.joellethomson.com NZ



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2014

91/100 "... intensely scented ... medium to full-bodied with a decadent oiliness to the texture, it fills the palate ... **finishing with great persistence** ..." – Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW, eRobertParker.com, USA

" **One of my favourite New Zealand wines** and one that I buy extremely regularly and love even more every time I open it – again, **it's all about savoury flavours ... complex creamy notes** ... fresh and zesty" – Joelle Thomson, www.joellethomson.com NZ

91+/100 "...Really leaves the taste buds quivering ... **A rather uncompromising, idiosyncratic Sauvignon-Semillon blend in the style of a white Bordeaux.**" – Steve Tanzer, www.vinous.com, USA

18+/20 "... This is a moderately rich, **concentrated and harmoniously presented** Sauvignon/Semillon blend with subtle complexities and a soft, dry finish." – Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

★★★★★ " ... **concentrated and complex, with loads of personality** ... A very distinctive wine" – Michael Copper, www.michaelcooper.co.nz, NZ

2013

95/100 "... An intense white blend with a cult following ... **A characterful wine with attitude.** Very distinctive" – Bob Campbell MW, www.bobcampbell.nz, NZ

18.5/20 "... This has a fine-texture mouthfeel with fresh, underlying acidity lending a positive core and line with good drive. The wine carries effortlessly to a sweet-fruited, weighty and sustained finish **This is a soft, concentrated Sauvignon and Semillon blend with smooth textures and flow, good integration** ..." – Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

94/100 "... On the palate - quite a powerful impact with plenty of acidity contrasted immediately with ripe citrus and orchard fruit flavours ... lots of texture dry, lengthy finish and quite classical. **One for the cellar**" – Cameron Douglas MS, camerondouglasms.blogspot.co.nz, NZ

95/100 "... impressively complex and engaging on the nose ... palate is concentrated and beautifully weighted ... **A stunning alternative-style** ..." – Sam Kim, Wine Orbit, NZ

2012

94/100 "This wine has excellent fruit freshness, complexity balance and length. Oatmeal, stone fruit and tropical fruits with complexity. In the mouth a complex cascading quince citrus and finishing lychee awash in tropical zesty acidity with fresh ripe citrus, passionfruit, guava, lemon and pink grapefruits **all offering flavours to drive exceptional length and complexity.**" – Rob Geddes MW Author of Australia Wine Vintages, AUS



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"The fruit richness is balanced and cut by crisp acidity, and the palate is elegant in proportion with a fine phenolic line smoothly carrying the wine. As the wine flows, the palate tends to dryness and the flavours lead to a long, lingering finish. This is an elegantly concentrated Sauvignon/Semillon blend with fresh, fruit and a fine linearity and dry mouthfeel. ..."

- Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

This is a seriously powerful white wine and clearly semillon is an excelsior in the blend; wonderfully decadent and invigorating, drinking well now but you can sense with its unbridled power and cut it will cellar for 10 years or more.

- Curtis Marsh, www.thewanderingpalate.com

A **serious** and muscular Sauvignon dominant blend with ripe green fruits and a complex smoky, flinty element.

- Wine NZ magazine

2011

92/100 Pale straw-tinged yellow. Complex, bracing aromas of gooseberry, white pepper, ginger, quinine, crushed stone and dusty herbs, plus a hint of lanolin. Broad, spicy and quite dry, with firm acidity giving excellent cut to the subtle flavors of citrus fruits and floral oils; **more concentrated than the overwhelming majority of New Zealand's sauvignon-based wines**. The long finish features a bitter-edged grapefruit note that calls for a year or two of patience.

- Steve Tanzer, www.internationalwinecellar.com, USA



The flavours lead to a very long, lingering, tightly bound finish. **This is a very elegant, concentrated Sauvignon Blanc based wine with very fine textures and complex flavours**

- Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

This is one of the country's best sauvignon blancs, but not as you normally know it. A little Semillon in this blend goes a long way towards creating a rainbow of flavours...The result is complex, fascinating flavours with richness, depth and length to burn.

- Joelle Thompson, *Your Weekend magazine*, NZ