



VILLA MARIA
NEW ZEALAND



Single Vineyard

WAIRAU VALLEY, MARLBOROUGH

Bankhouse Sauvignon Blanc 2022

Winemakers Comment

Located on the western bank of the Waihopai River, Bankhouse is a close-planted vineyard with a myriad of soil types and aspects which provide diverse expressions from which to craft a wine. A dynamic wine with riper tropical flavours from the clay soils and emphasised minerality and freshness from the riverbed gravel soils.

Vintage

The Marlborough growing season started off well with very little frost pressure during spring. Flowering went without a glitch, due healthy soil moisture levels the canopies looked lush and vibrant. The start of 2022 summer was slightly colder; February was below the long-term average in temperature however the weather settled with a slightly damp autumn.

Vineyard & Winemaking

SUBREGIONS: Wairau Valley

SOILS: Bankhouse is a close-planted vineyard with a myriad of soil types and aspects which provide diverse expressions from which to craft a wine.

Bankhouse Estate is located on the western bank of the Waihopai River, further inland in the Wairau Valley, Marlborough. The grapes for this wine were harvested in cool night conditions to protect aromatics.

Winemaking Data

VARIETIES: 100% Sauvignon Blanc

ALCOHOL: 13%

PH: 3.32

TOTAL ACIDITY: 8g/l

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 2.3g/l

FRUIT HANDLING: Harvested in cool night conditions to protect aromatics.

FERMENTATION: Aromatic enhancing yeast strains, 100% stainless steel fermentation at cool temperatures to enhance tropical fruit notes.

MATURATION: Carefully monitored 4-5 months on yeast lees to build texture and palate weight.

FILTRATION: Yes