

MERCHANT SERIES

SAUVIGNON BLANC ADELAIDE HILLS 2018

REGION: Adelaide Hills	<i>ALC/VOL</i> : 12.5%
VARIETIES: Sauvignon Blanc	pH: 3.20
SKIN CONTACT: None	TITRATABLE ACID: 6.0 g/L
OAK TREATMENT: None	RESIDUAL SUGAR: 2.8 g/L
BARREL MATURATION: None	CLOSURE TYPE: Screwcap
BOTTLE WEIGHT: 1.37 kg	CASE CONFIGURATION: Stand-up 6
CASE WEIGHT: 8.4 kg	PALLET CONFIGURATION: 32 cases /layer, 4 layers /pallet
BOTTLE BARCODE: 93 147 3300 311 7	CASE BARCODE: 93 147 3300 312 4
WINEMAKERS: James Mungall & Ben Heide	

REGION

The Adelaide Hills wine region has a reputation for producing some of Australia's most exciting cool climate wines. With an average elevation around 600 metres the climate is significantly cooler than the neighbouring areas. Cool, dry summers and an autumn ripening period produce a balanced fruit flavour profile and natural acidity.

VINTAGE

Spring started cool keeping vines dormant and delaying bud burst. Temperatures warmed with above average rainfall providing healthy canopies on the vines to begin summer. Very hot conditions in January and February reduced crop levels slightly before finishing with a dry, sunny growing season. Despite a reduction in volume, the fruit was very good quality with ripe flavours and tannin at low sugar levels.

VINIFICATION

Crushed and destemmed, the free run juice was cold settled then cool fermented for four weeks in closed stainless steel fermenters. With minimal intervention the wine was then stabilised before bottling to retain freshness and vibrant varietal flavours.

