

Bouchard Finlayson Walker Bay Sauvignon Blanc 2014

Bottled early has provided this vintage with the chance to capture vibrant flavours and fermentation esters. The nose is fragrant and the palate portrays rich tropical fruit flavours of litchi, granadilla and guava. The wine is crisp signalling confirmed structure and good but gentle acid balance.

variety : Sauvignon Blanc | 100% Sauvignon Blanc

winery : Bouchard Finlayson Boutique Vineyard

winemaker : Peter Finlayson

wine of origin : Walker Bay

analysis : alc : 12.76 % vol rs : 2.3 g/l pH : 3.34 ta : 5.8 g/l

type : White **style :** Dry **body :** Full

pack : Bottle **size :** 0 **closure :** Cork

Sauvignon Blanc is arguably our least promoted or exposed wine but surprises us in being our most successful label in terms of volume sales. While this vintage does not detract from a distinctly Sauvignon blanc flavour footprint it does project a very luscious palate. This arising from our non-traditional viticultural practice of implementing high density plantings. Research has shown that high density plantings offer greater physiological ripening at harvest time which, during this past wet summer would have provided useful reward under adverse weather patterns.

in the vineyard : Vintage 2014 was possibly the wettest summer season on record for the Hemel-en-Aarde Valley. Six hundred and ten mm were recorded from Oct through to March, initiating a keen sense of urgency from both vineyard and cellar staff. Experience and concentration ensured a successful harvest of very fruity and challengingly complex grapes.



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