

# PREVIOUS VINTAGE AWARDS & ACCOLADES

### 2003 SAUVIGNON BLANC

"A luscious 2003 Sauvignon Blanc that has everything fans of New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc prize (minerality, herbal notes, citrus, passionfruit, exceptional length) in perfect balance". Robert Whitley, San Diego Tribune

> "Elegantly styled and well balanced – highly recommended". The Californian Grapevine, 2004.

Silver Medal	San Francisco Int. Wine	
	Competition USA, 2004	
Silver Medal	Riverside International Wine	
	Competition USA, 2004	
Silver Medal	New World Int. Wine	
	Competition USA, 2004	
Bronze MedalLiquorland Top 100 NZ		
	Sept 2003	

## 2002 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Gold Medal	New World International Wine	
	Comp. USA, 2003	
Sliver Medal	Pacific Rim Int. Wine Competition USA, 2003	
90 Points	The Wine News USA, Oct/Nov	
	2003	
<b>Bronze Medal</b> San Francisco International		
	Wine Competition, 2003	
88 Points	Anthony Dias Blue, The Mercury	
	News USA, 2003	

#### 2000 SAUVIGNON BLANC

Riverside Int. Wine Comp. USA,		
2001		
Eastern Int. Wine Comp USA,		
2001		
Bronze Medal NZ Wine Society Royal Easter		
Show, 2001		
Wine Spectator USA, 2001		
Michael Lonsford, Houston		
Chronicle, 2001		

# 2004 Vineyard Select SAUVIGNON BLANC

# **REVIEWS & AWARDS**

"Light yellow; pleasant earthy, floral, citrussy aroma with a hint of tropical fruit; medium-full to full body; crisp, lemony, grassy, gooseberry flavours; lingering after-taste". The California Grapevine (01/05)

"This wine has inviting aromas of apple, grass, pineapple, melon, and floral which introduce smooth flavours of the same plus grapefruit and moderate acidity. All carry through the broad, medium-long finish. Well structured, integrated and balanced, very good". The Colorado Wine News (02/05)

"Tart and tangy, lively with citrus, green apple and onion skin flavours, finishing with a peppery note. Drink now".

87 Points The Wine Spectator, USA (03/05)

# TASTING NOTES

The fruit for this wine was selected predominantly from our own estate vineyard and from one other contract vineyard. The stony, alluvial old riverbed soils of our vineyard regularly produce grapes with lower acid and softer minerals, tropical fruit and ripe citrus flavours, while the fruit sourced from our contract vineyard complements these nuances with red capsicum and hints of lime. The resultant wine is a softer less acidic style and one which is finding favour with our consumers.

This 2004 vintage has a bouquet of apples and limes. The palate is soft and creamy with ripe citrus and pineapple flavours integrating beautifully with a clean acidity. This is a well structured balanced wine which is very appealing either as an aperitif or with food.

Brix at Harvest:	$22.4^{\circ}$
Residual Sugar:	3.3g/l
Titratable Acidity:	6.5g/l
Bottling Date:	29 June 2004
Cases Made:	1950
Alcohol:	13%