



TASTING PACK WINE #9

TASTING NOTES BY: MASTER SOMMELIER MAX CAST

There is a high intensity of aroma with notes of ripe grapefruit, lime zest, tangerine, and gooseberry leading the fruit. The wine has an intense jalapeno pepper vegetal note, showing that it has a pyrazinic quality. There are also notes of freshly cut grass, sage, cilantro and parsley. There are no signs of oak, and the palate shows a wine with ripe and tart fruit, and high acidity.

TASTING NOTES BY: F.L.X. TABLE'S MICHALIS KALAMPOUKAS

Super aromatic with notes of lime, citrus, ripe pear and some tropical fruits like guava, pineapple, and passion fruit. There is a green characteristic to this wine that is little grassy like pea shoots and notes of Jalapeno. There is no oak and high acid.

Sweetness: Bone Dry
Tannin:
Alcohol: Medium
Acid: High
Oak:

So...
WHAT
IS IT?

old world
or new?

climate?

grape?

country?

place?



WINE DETAILS:

Winery: Babich
Cuvee: Black Label
Grape: Sauvignon Blanc
Country: New Zealand
Regions: Marlborough
Vintage: 2018

Alcohol: 13%
Elevage: Stainless

Other: Mix of inoculated and spontaneous fermentations.

NOTES :

New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc stands out with its pyrazinic notes of jalapeno pepper, and the herbaceous grassy qualities, balanced with ripe fruit and high acid. There are, however, a few New World white wines that fall into this description camp and could confuse you on your initial tasting. One could be California Sauvignon Blanc; but it is more tropical fruit dominant, higher alcohol and often oaked. Another could be Hunter Valley Semillon; however this wine is less aromatic, has way less pyrazines, and is lower in alcohol than New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc. With those two out of the picture there is no other choice than Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc. If you were led towards an old world Sauv Blanc keep in mind the condition of the fruit and the fact that the fruit is still the driving force of the wine.

Retail Price: \$15

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