



Misha's Vineyard 'The Starlet' Sauvignon Blanc 2021



95/100 Outstanding

"Lovely concentration and power with aromas of sweet citrus and white flowers, fresh delicate green herb layer, plenty of stony minerality and a moment of cape gooseberry. There's a tickle of sweetness as the wine touches the palate, which is quickly replaced by tension and crispness, a vibrant acid line then core of fruit. Flavours of citrus and lemongrass, a moment of tangerine and then angelica. Mouthwatering, a whisper of saline and gooseberry on the finish. Very modern with excellent drinking from 2022 through 2028+." November 2021 (**Cameron Douglas MS**, www.camdouglasms.com)

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"Bright, even, pale straw-yellow. The wine is vigorous on the nose, packed with aromas of pineapple, lime and honeydew melon, interweave nettle and white spice. Medium-full bodied, concentrated aromas of pineapple, lime and an underlay of honeydew melon, entwined with verbena, nettle and a hint of spice. The fruit is ripe with a strong lime and acid tension core, persist on a powdery-textured mouthfeel and a refreshing finish. This Sauvignon Blanc shows a sense of the vintage brilliantly with concentrated fruit, vigorous yet calm acidity and a flavoursome, lengthy finish. Match with pan-fried flatfish and pork katsu over the next 4-5 years. Handpicked fruit, gentle skin contact for few hours then whole bunch pressed to tank, 54% inoculated in stainless steel tank, the remaining wild fermented in older French oak barrels, 14% alc, 5 g/l RS. 19-/20 pts (95 pts)." Nov 2021 (**Candice Chow**, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz)

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5 stars

"Bright and fabulously fresh, the bouquet shows Granny Smith apple, nectarine, kiwifruit and white floral aromas with a hint of flinty complexity. The brilliantly focused palate delivers youthful fruit intensity together with fine texture and juicy acidity, finishing persistent and crisp-dry. Varietally expressive and highly enjoyable. At its best: now to 2028." Nov 2021.

(**Sam Kim, Wine Orbit**, www.wineorbit.com)

4 stars



"The 2021 vintage (4*) was estate-grown at Bendigo, in the Cromwell Basin. Hand-picked, it was mostly handled in tanks, but 46 per cent of the blend was fermented with indigenous yeasts in old French oak casks. Ripe scented, it is mouthfilling, with passionfruit/lime flavours, showing very good depth, delicacy and complexity, fresh acidity and a smooth (5 grams/litre of residual sugar) finish. Best drinking mid-2022+." Dec 2021 (**Michael Cooper, Buyer's Guide to New Zealand Wines**)

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