

ALTA

2013 SAUVIGNON BLANC



VARIETAL:	100% Sauvignon Blanc		
APPELLATION:	Adelaide Hills, South Australia		
ALCOHOL:	12.5%		
ACID:	6.38g/L	pH:	3.17
SUGAR:	1.7g/L	CLOSURE:	Stelvin
COLOUR:	Vibrant with soft greens		

Vinification

In order to capture a diverse range of flavours, blocks were harvested at varying levels of maturities. With great depth of varietal flavour in the 2013 grapes, minimal intervention was required throughout the winemaking process. However, in order to create additional complexity and interest in the final blend, a number of different winemaking techniques were used. Fermentation in 4000lt French oak casks and post fermentation lees contact added to the texture on the palate. Fermentation on skins provided additional aromatic punch, and as always, different yeasts were chosen for their ability to highlight aromatics and bring structure to the wines.

Nose

Punchy with great varietal definition. Lemon grass, kaffir lime, citrus blossom and passionfruit leap from the glass.

Palate

Zesty natural acid gives purity to the abundant and complex fruit flavours. Fleshy lime, spicy lemongrass and ripe stonefruit flavours linger with great persistence. Richly textured with subtle creaminess adding interest and complexity.

Food Match

The Alta Sauvignon Blanc has a great backbone and will hold its own in almost any food matching. Try it with bolder flavours; Ocean Trout, Thai Beef salad, Chilli mussels.

Winemakers Comments

"After a slow recovery from the 2011 vintage, vines were in great health with lush canopies and higher than average yields. Without a doubt Sauvignon Blanc was the stand out variety in the Adelaide Hills during the 2013 vintage, with early flavour development and high levels of natural acid giving balance, structure and purity to the palate.

Fruit was deliberately sourced from a number of vineyards reflecting a range of highly variable microclimates within the region. The end result is an impressive blending pool of stylistically different but strongly varietal wines which when blended together create a single, highly complex and very satisfying Sauvignon Blanc.

The 2013 Alta Sauvignon Blanc showcases cool climate Sauvignon Blanc at its finest."

