



PATHWAY SAUVIGNON BLANC 2016

INTRODUCTION

Ara is Māori for pathway and it defines the journey we're on creating flavour-filled Marlborough wines. Ara Pathway wines come from our Marlborough vineyards delivering style and capturing the essence of the region in every bottle.

This Ara Pathway is crafted to provide an aromatic, fruit driven Sauvignon Blanc. The grapes come from our stunning Wairau Valley vineyard creating an approachable and enjoyable wine which showcases the rugged beauty of Marlborough from the first drop.

HARVEST & WINEMAKING

The backbone of Ara Pathway Sauvignon Blanc is composed of fruit with restrained mineral and stonefruit characters typical of close planted, low yielding vines at Ara. The aromatics are accentuated by fruit from some of Ara's more vigorous, leafy vineyard parcels that show the classical Marlborough pungency. The grape harvest was fast and furious after a long warm dry period, starting and finishing within the first two weeks of April. Early and later picks of the blend components also contributed to the contrast of herbaceous ripeness. The different parcels were fermented separately with long slow cool ferments of approximately 20 days.

TASTING NOTE

The 2016 Pathway Sauvignon Blanc is a classic expression of Marlborough from Ara. Fully flavoured Sauvignon Blanc with lively citrus and tropical fruit aromas, delivered with a clean refreshing finish.



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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Alcohol content (%v/v)	12.5
Titratable acidity (as Tartic Acid) (g/L)	7.6
pH	3.1
Total sugars (g/L)	2.9



Ara
Pathway

Sauvignon
Single Estate
New Zealand