



DOMAIN ROAD *vineyard*

Symposium Late Harvest Non-Vintage

Domain Road has two vineyards in the heart of the historic gold mining area of Bannockburn. Domain Road Vineyard covers most of a small valley on the upper terraces above the Kawarau River with Defiance Vineyard on a gently sloping, north facing site on Felton Road. The unique terroir with unusual soils and distinctive micro-climate make this old gold mining area ideal for producing premium cool climate wines.

The Sauvignon Blanc vines used for our late harvest wine are planted on Templars Hill, part of Domain Road Vineyard, an area untouched by the 19th Century gold miners. This site was chosen for its unique position on top of a hill allowing the grapes to over ripen without disease pressure.

The Wine

The grapes were hand harvested on 1st July 2020 from Domain Road Vineyard. The fruit was foot crushed in bins and allowed to soak overnight before pressing. The resulting pressed juice was cold settled before racking and inoculation with selected yeast. The juice from 2020 was fermented in stainless steel and the ferment stopped to match the abundant fruit sweetness with the crisp acidity. The final blend was 68% tank fermented 2020 Symposium with the balance coming from the 2019 Symposium, of which roughly half was barrel fermented.

The colour of pale straw our Symposium is complex and mouth filling. Luscious aromas of honey, spice, apricot, ripe pear and peach are evident on the nose. The palate is sweet and silky, with tropical fruits, pineapple, mango, spice and pink grapefruit. A lovely juicy acidity balances the rich sweetness leading to a long lingering tangelo finish.

Food match: soft cheese selections, blue cheese and gingerbread, or pour over ice as an aperitif!

Variety	100% Sauvignon Blanc
Appellation	Central Otago
Sub Region	Bannockburn
Vineyard	Domain Road
Harvested at	1st July 2020
Alcohol	10.5%
Residual Sugar	128g/L
pH	3.55
TA	7.0g/L

