

2016 WINEWISE SMALL VIGNERON AWARDS Sauvignon Blanc & Blends

For the most part, “fresh and fruity” are what these wines are all about. The exceptions come from the barrel-fermented examples which sacrifice primary fruit for complexity and texture, but this year pure varietal character and freshness won out.



2016 Verdun Park Wines Lyla Adelaide Hills Sauvignon

Blanc A first-class example of contemporary Australian sauvignon blanc. The nose bursts with passionfruit and nettle, and the long, precise palate delivers varietal flavour aplenty, backed up by very refreshing acidity. (\$22.00) ★★★★★

<http://www.verdunparkwines.com.au/collections/wines>

2015 Brangayne of Orange Sauvignon Blanc Passionfruit, cut grass and lime aromas all feature here. There's also a mere whiff of asparagus. The long palate finishes well with typical high country acidity. (\$22.00)

★★★★☆

<http://brangayne.com/brangayne-wines-catalogue>



2016 Rosily Vineyard Margaret River Semillon Sauvignon

Blanc The grassy and green pea aromas are given complexity by a little funky reduction. The palate is long, fresh and creamy, the textural quality probably coming from lees contact. (\$20.00) ★★★★★

<http://www.rosily.com.au/order/>

- 2016 Rosily Vineyard Margaret River Sauvignon Blanc (\$20.00) ★★★★★
- 2016 Mandoon Estate Margaret River Sauvignon Blanc (\$23.00) ★★★★★
- 2015 Fuddling Cup Margaret R Semillon Sauv Blanc (\$16.00) ★★★★★
- 2015 Cannibal Creek Gippsland Sauvignon Blanc (\$32.00) ★★★★★
- 2016 Sittella Margaret River The Wild One (\$22.00) ★★★★★
- 2016 Juniper Crossing Margaret R Semillon Sauv Blanc (\$20.00) ★★★★★
- 2016 Bonking Frog Foreigner Semillon Sauv Blanc (\$22.00) ★★★★★
- 2014 Hahndorf Hill Winery Sauvignon Blanc (\$23.00) ★★★
- 2016 Cape Naturaliste Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc (\$20.00) ★★★
- 2016 Wily Trout Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc (\$24.00) ★★★
- 2015 Jericho Adelaide Hills Fumé Blanc (\$25.00) ★★★
- 2016 Oranje Tractor Sauvignon Blanc (\$34.00) ★★★
- 2016 Yarran Sauvignon Blanc (\$12.00) ★★
- 2016 Windance Estate Sauvignon Blanc Semillon (\$20.00) ★★
- 2016 Yarrh Sauvignon Blanc (\$20.00) ★★
- 2015 Giggling Goose Single Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc (\$18.00) ★★
- 2016 After Hours Sauvignon Blanc Semillon (\$19.00) ★★
- 2015 Topper's Mountain Barrel Fermented Sauv Blanc (\$30.00) ★★
- 2016 Hugo Sauvignon Blanc (\$20.00) ★★
- 2015 Ross Hill Lily Sauvignon Blanc (\$20.00) ★★
- 2015 Brash Vineyard Single Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc (\$22.95) ★★
- 2015 Mount Avoca Vineyards Moates Lane Sauv Blanc (\$12.00) ★★
- 2016 Cape Naturaliste Vineyard Semillon Sauvignon Blanc (\$20.00) ★★
- 2014 Slow Wine Co Sauvignon Blanc (\$24.00) ★★
- 2014 Peccavi Sauvignon Blanc Semillon (\$42.00) ★★
- 2016 Vineyard 28 Sauvignon Blanc Semillon (\$20.00) ★★
- 2015 Catlin Sauvignon Blanc (\$30.00) ★★
- 2014 Juniper Estate Aquitaine Blanc (\$33.00) ★★
- 2016 After Hours Sauvignon Blanc (\$18.00) ★★
- 2015 Lillypilly Sauvignon Blanc (\$16.50) ★★
- 2015 Peccavi "No Regrets" Sauvignon Blanc Semillon (\$26.00) ★★

The top three sauvignon blancs hail from three different regions (and states), but Margaret River continues to have a firm grip on the blends category.

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