



# MUD HOUSE

NEW ZEALAND

SINGLE VINEYARD

A TRUE EXPRESSION OF THE VINTAGE AND THE VINEYARD

## SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018

WOOLSHED VINEYARD, MARLBOROUGH

### COLOUR

Pale gold.

### NOSE

Tropical notes are driven by aromatic blackcurrant leaf, grapefruit and crisp snow pea.

### PALATE

An elegant and prolonged palate offers succulence, grapefruit-like acidity; and a quenching botanical finish.

### THE VINEYARD

Planted in 2002, the Woolshed Vineyard consists predominantly of river terrace gravels with overlying silt and loam soils. It is situated in the Wairau Plains Southern Valleys. The vineyard includes erosional clays on hillside slopes with 280° aspects; unique in Marlborough. The 2018 Woolshed Sauvignon Blanc was sourced from these hillside clays and terraced gravels to deliver a true expression of the vineyard.

### WINEMAKING

The grapes were harvested in the cool of the night, then gently crushed and pressed. After cold settling, the juice was cool fermented in stainless steel with selected yeast strains to add complexity and retain the vibrant vineyard characteristics. Once fermentation was finished, the wine was racked and allowed to relax on light yeast lees to aid complexity and mouthfeel, before being bottled on 16 September 2018.

### SEASON CONDITIONS

A spectacular growing season thanks to warm settled weather set up the vines well for flowering and fruit set at The Woolshed Vineyard. This was followed by big canopy growth during ripening season, meaning a slightly early harvest and great natural ripeness in the fruit. The Sauvignon Blanc was harvested off The Woolshed between 31 March and 10 April, this year expressing quintessential Woolshed flavours of grapefruit and pithy lemon.

### WINE ANALYSIS

Alcohol	13%
Acidity (TA)	7.55 g/L
pH:	3.3 g/L
Residual Sugar	1.5g/L

### CELLARING

Ready to drink now. Will reward with cellaring for 3 - 5 years.

### SERVE

Chilled.

### SUGGESTED FOOD MATCH

Panko crumbed Snapper with a zesty mayo, accompanied by a fresh green salad and lively dressing.

### WINEMAKERS

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**NO. OF CASES:** 3,860 (6 packs)



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