RONGOPAI SAUVIGNON BLANC 2023



Marlborough, New Zealand



TASTING NOTES: The Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc opens with a lifted nose of sweet lantana, grapefruit and blackcurrant with lots of gooseberry and a subtle floral and green apple note. The palate is light and lively with flavors of gala apple, gooseberry, fresh herbs and blackcurrant. Balanced, interesting and very accessible.

VITICULTURE: The grapes are sourced from 100% certified sustainable vineyards managed under a philosophy of kaitiaki – the Māori concept of guardianship for sky, sea, and land.

VINIFICATION: After harvest, the grapes were crushed and pressed into stainless steel tanks where the juice was fermented at controlled cool temperatures to capture the intense varietal flavors. The wine was then blended and bottled.

INTERESTING FACT: The name "Rongopai" means "good taste and good feeling" and features on its labels the uncurling Koru design as a symbol of creation and growth, perpetually growing yet always curving back towards its source.

FAMILY: Founded in 1932 in the picturesque town of Te Kauwhata (on the site of New Zealand's first viticultural research station which was built in 1902), Rongopai's grapes were prized for unique characteristics that are now identified as quintessentially New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Noir. In 2007, the winery moved to Marlborough to bring winemaking closer to its 100% certified sustainable vineyard estates.

Rongopai proudly looks both forwards and backwards; to the next vintage of sustainably produced, fresh and vibrant New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Noir wines, and to the expertise gained over a 90-year history as one of New Zealand's oldest wine brands.

PRODUCER: Rongopai ALCOHOL: 12.5%

REGION: Marlborough, New Zealand TOTAL ACIDITY: 6.8 G/L

GRAPE(S): 100% Sauvignon Blanc RESIDUAL SUGAR: 4.8 G/L

SKU: RPSB237 pH: 3.3

