



DOMINIQUE PORTET

Yarra Valley

DOMINIQUE PORTET YARRA VALLEY SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017

VINE

We grow the fruit on our Yarra Valley vineyard on grey loam soils in Coldstream. The 2017 harvest in this region is already being spoken of in exalted tones, and we are extremely excited at the prospect for both whites and reds. The grapes developed a lovely spectrum of aromas and flavours when appealingly fresh, and with relatively modest sugar levels. It's a recipe for complex wines of great elegance – precisely what we aim for.

WINE

We picked ripe, healthy fruit by hand, relatively early to make sure everything was super-fresh. We carefully sorted and gently pressed the grapes, then fermented most of the juice (75%) in stainless steel tanks to retain freshness. Fermentation temperatures were nice and cool for heightened aromatics. The other 25% was fermented in new, tight-grained French oak barrels, where the wine matured for six months. We also stirred the lees early on to build palate weight and depth.

GLASS

True to the vintage, the **Dominique Portet Yarra Valley Sauvignon Blanc 2017** rises from the glass with beguiling promise. It has aromas of white blossom, lime zest, white stone fruits, dry grass and honeycomb. That same array comes through on a palate that is delightfully light on its feet. There's textural interest from creamy lees and the barrel-fermented parcel, but the overall impression is of delicacy and finesse. The hallmark limey acidity gives a crackle to the stone fruit, citrus and wet-stone notes, which retain great focus through the beautifully balanced finish.

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Alcohol: 13%

RRP: \$28

Closure: Screwcap

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ABOUT DOMINIQUE PORTET

The Yarra Valley winery was established in 2000 by Bordeaux-raised Dominique Portet, whose family's winemaking history stretches back 10 consecutive generations to 18th century France. Dominique and son Ben craft fresh, elegant, expressive wines from Sparkling Rosé to Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz, coolly grown in the Victorian regions of the Yarra Valley and Heathcote.