

2022 GREYWACKE SAUVIGNON BLANC

Review Summary

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95 pts - Highly Recommended: #10/Top 100 Most Exciting Wines of 2023 “Distinctive, succulent and wonderfully complex, with honeysuckle, honey-preserved ginger, creamy lemon curd, ripe mango and floral notes, plus stone fruit flavors on a rich, smooth and mouthwateringly juicy frame. Reveals hints of spices that linger on the long, expressive finish. Drink now.”

MaryAnn Worobiec
Wine Spectator Insider/Hot Wines
June 2023
Wine Spectator Top 10/100 Wines of 2023
November 2023

94 pts - “Must-Try White” “With 25 years at Cloudy Bay, Kevin Judd was key to the global renown of Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc. Today his Greywacke wines (particularly the Wild Sauvignon) are standard bearers in their own right. This elegant, textural vintage brims with zippy pineapple sorbet, elderflower blossom and green mango freshness, with bracing lime acidity and a creamy passionfruit curd finish.”

Tina Gellie
Decanter
April 2023

94 pts “The 2022 Sauvignon Blanc is incredibly aromatic, and while the Greywacke wines have a proven track record of aging potential, there’s nothing quite like the vibrancy of youth. On the nose, there is tatami mat, sesame, a hint of tahini, passionfruit, pineapple, green apple, yuzu and brine. In the mouth, the wine is concentrated and pleasurable—this is Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc in its best light, in my opinion. It’s saturated with flavor, fine phenolic structure and loads of personality. It even manages a tiny bit of restraint. Great. 13.5% alcohol, sealed under screw cap.”

Erin Larkin
Robert Parker Wine Advocate
November 2023

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93 pts – Editors’ Choice “Heady—but not bombastic—aromas of passion fruit, guava and jasmine, with grassy, flinty pungency beneath, pop from the glass. The palate shows lovely texture and balance with a saline, mineral core and a limy finish. This is a classic expression of Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc from one of its masters.”

Christina Pickard
Wine Enthusiast
September 2023

90 pts “The 2022 Sauvignon Blanc Greywacke offers focus and palate weight. It builds a sense of richness, balancing the vintage’s natural acidity. This has fresh elderflower, pineapple and delicate passionfruit. Despite a difficult season, it is a thoughtfully made and well-judged style which offers clean, clear and pure flavors.”

Rebecca Gibb
Vinous
April 2023

Wine of the Week 5.7.23 “More than two decades later, I can still remember my first startling sip of Cloudy Bay sauvignon blanc: a sudden, vivid snapshot of some other, better, sun-dappled green realm, where the air is alive with scents of gooseberries, wild grasses and blackcurrant leaves. That kind of astonishment is rare in wine, and the sheer profusion of wines made from the same grape variety in the same place and in the same style as Cloudy Bay since I first came across the original makes a repeat experience even more unlikely. Still, at its best there remains something irresistibly vibrant about Marlborough sauvignon blanc, something that never fails to clear the mind and put a spring in the step. As it happens, one of the people responsible for Cloudy Bay, winemaker Kevin Judd, is still among Marlborough sauvignon’s most skilled exponents, working now at the Greywacke estate he started in 2009. I came across a bottle of the current, 2022 vintage recently and it is a beauty: the passionfruit and guava in crystal clear HD.”

David Williams
The Guardian UK
May 2023