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Château de Tracy surrounded by Sauvignon vines in Pouilly-Fumé

Taste the Grape: Sauvignon Blanc

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INTRODUCTION

Clean, vibrant and intense with lots of flavour, Sauvignon Blanc is one of the world's most distinctive and widely-planted white grape varieties. Originating in the Loire Valley and Bordeaux, it has since spread successfully across the world, notably finding its most distinctive character in Marlborough, New Zealand. A high-acid, aromatic variety, grown in cool-climate regions, Sauvignon is typically made to be drunk young. Ranging in taste from the grassy, asparagus style the French prefer, all the way to full-throttle New Zealand, where generous passionfruit and gooseberry compote flavours take over. Essentially, it's a friendly, dry white that goes well with food, has bags of personality and is instantly recognisable wherever it's grown.

SAUVIGNON BLANC AROUND THE WORLD

In the Loire Valley (such as the wines of **Sancerre**, **Pouilly-Fumé** and **Menetou-Salon**), it produces elegant, mineral-driven examples with notes of citrus, green apple and flint.

In **Bordeaux**, it is often blended with Sémillon, creating richer wines, where oak ageing can add complexity and depth. Sauvignon Blanc has become synonymous with New Zealand and **Marlborough**, where grapes are harvested by tractor at night, to lock in those full-on heady flavours. For a more restrained New World style, look to **Chile** or **South Africa** where zesty fruit and mineral elegance combine.

TYPICAL FLAVOURS:

Elderflower • Citrus • Cut Grass • Passionfruit

FOOD PAIRING:

Goat's Cheese • Grilled Vegetables • Sushi

FAMOUS CHILDREN: Sauvignon Blanc is a parent of Cabernet Sauvignon, along with Cabernet Franc. The crossing happened naturally in the 17th or 18th century, most probably in Bordeaux.

THE WINES

1. Tanners Sauvignon, Pays d'Oc, France

Bin No: MW0019B

A superb, fresh, grassy Sauvignon with good fruit and crisp acidity which bears testament to the quality of modern French winemaking, and in particular the famous François Lurton who now makes wine worldwide.

2. Fernanda Cappello Sauvignon, Friuli Grave, Italy

Bin No: IW0062B

Packed full of Sauvignon flavours, crisp and grassy, a good cross between French and New Zealand styles, peachy and tropical with a mineral finish. From a 130 hectare estate owned by a former architect.

3. Tanners New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, New Zealand

Bin No: NW0051B

Wonderfully aromatic on the nose with some tropical passionfruit character amongst the grassy, herby, asparagus notes, the palate is elegant, fresh and fine with good length.

4. La Petite Ferme Sauvignon Blanc, Franschhoek, South Africa

Bin No: KW0012B

An aromatic, New Zealand-style Sauvignon Blanc, made in a small winery at the well-known Petite Ferme restaurant. Its stunning views, smoked trout and this wine make for an unforgettable experience.

5. Château Lafont Menaut Blanc, Pessac-Léognan, Bordeaux, France

Bin No: CW0009B

Philibert Perrin, also owner of Château Carbonnieux, produces full, rich wines with good structure. Oak-aged, this has plenty of fresh Sauvignon fruit and lovely depth to finish. A relatively new property on the way up.

6. Pouilly-Fumé, Château de Tracy, Loire Valley, France (organic)


Bin No: LW0022B

Classic Pouilly-Fumé with elegant mineral style and grassy asparagus flavours. Subtle and aromatic with lovely concentration.

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