

ASTROLABE WREKIN VINEYARD CHENIN BLANC

2016 VINTAGE

93 points "OUTSTANDING"



"Classic aromas of fresh and baked apple with a layer of sweet citrus and gentle floral scents; a minerality of wet stone follows. On the palate – quite particular with flavours that reflect the nose plus a hint of wood spice and complexity alongside a light lees and ginger note also providing texture. Just off dry and with warming alcohol; Plenty of acidity and lengthy finish. A wine that develops well in the glass. Drink now and through 2025."

November, 2017

Cameron Douglas Master Sommelier

2015 VINTAGE

5 stars "EXCELLENT"



GOLD

"Offering great value, the pale lemon/green 2015 vintage (5*) was hand-picked in the Southern Valleys and partly fermented with indigenous yeasts in old oak barrels. A fully dry style (2.1 grams/litre of residual sugar), it has strong personality, with a real sense of youthful drive and vigour. An ideal all-purpose wine, it has deep, vibrant fruit flavours, suggestive of grapefruit and lime, a minerally streak, moderate acidity and excellent structure, delicacy, complexity and length. A thought-provoking wine, it should be long-lived." 2017

Michael Cooper New Zealand Wines: Michael Cooper's Buyer's Guide

2014 VINTAGE

93 points "QUALITY"



"Fine, tight Chenin Blanc with green apple, mineral and a suggestion of roasted nut flavours. Bone-dry wine with a backbone of fine acidity that promises to let the wine age well. It's good to see more Chenin Blanc labels on the market, particularly wines of this calibre." April 14th, 2015 Bob Campbell Master of Wine

90 points "OUTSTANDING"



"Sweet aromatics of apple blossom and mandarin flower; fruit aromas of ripe red apple and golden kiwifruit; a hint of lanolin and loads of stony mineral attributes. On the palate – crisp, fresh, fruity and juicy, just dry with plenty of acidity and a core of apple and fresh fruit flavours; minerality and soft chalky texture, balanced, lengthy and ideal drinking now and through 2017." July 2015

Cameron Douglas Master Sommelier

2013 VINTAGE

90 points "OUTSTANDING"



"A honeyed toasty note and dried chamomile accents contrast with the seriously crisp lemon, peach, green apple and grapefruit flavors. Shows nice intensity and juicy acidity, gaining concentration and momentum on the long finish." September 30th, 2015 Maryann Worobiec Wine Spectator