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DOG POINT SECTION 94 SAUVIGNON BLANC 2021





$49.99

Cellar Release of this Iconic Barrel Fermented Sauvignon Blanc

Product Code:	5540
Country:	New Zealand
Region:	Marlborough
Sub Region:	Southern Valleys
Style:	White
Variety:	Sauvignon Blanc
Producer:	Dog Point Vineyard

Closure:	Cork
Unit:	Each
Volume:	750ml
Alcohol:	14.5%
Grape:	100% Sauvignon Blanc
Natural:	Certified Organic

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TASTING NOTES

A fuller bodied, textural style of Sauvignon Blanc. This single vineyard parcel is situated within the Dog Point Vineyard, using the same low cropping level from vines planted in 1992. Fruit is hand-picked, whole bunch pressed and fermented and aged in older French oak barrels. Bottled without fining.

Winery notes (2021 Vintage)
"Gravels, smoke and flint wash over a ripe grapefruit and citrus spectrum of fruit characters. Orange blossom and daphne also complement the citrus core, along with toast and oatmeal characters from the long elevage in barrel. Powerful and intensely flavoured, bursting with fresh grapefruit. A breadth of textures build on the midpalate, with grapefruit pith and a

rich creaminess from lees aging. The wines taught structure cleanses the palate and carries flavours to the long finish.

Hand picked and whole bunch pressed to tank for 24 hours of settling prior to eighteen months fermentation and aging in mostly older French Oak barrels. 100% natural ferment. Bottled without fining and only minimal filtration."

95/100 Erin Larkin, RobertParker.com, Wine Advocate, June 2026 (2021 Vintage)
"The 2021 Section 94, matured in French oak barrels, typically packs a more overt punch than the estate Sauvignon Blanc tasted alongside. Here, the wine is complex and nuanced, with layers of crushed and salted nuts, curry leaf, saline acidity and edamame. **This is a very, very good wine**, Fumé in style."

Rated Outstanding & 95/100 Cameron Douglas MS, December 2025 (2021 Vintage)
"I last tasted this wine [formally] back in October 2021, it was then and is still today a fantastic wine. A complete wine with a fine balance and complexity between the ripeness of fruit framed by the use of lees and judicious use of oak for fermenting and some ageing. Flavours of cape gooseberry and orange melon, some peach and dried herb qualities. Delicious, still fresh and lengthy. Best drinking from day of purchase through 2030+."

95/100 Decanter, June 2026 (2021 Vintage)
"Dog Point was founded by the Sutherland and Healy families in 2004, based on the Sutherlands' vineyards that had been planted in the 1970s and 80s in the Brancott and Omaka Valleys in Marlborough. Today, these plantings represent some of the oldest vines in the region. Section 94 is made from hand-picked fruit that was fermented spontaneously in mostly used oak barrels. Note that this is a wine with four years of bottle age and still has a way to go. Anne Krebiehl MW: Hazelnut smokiness, a touch of pineapple to the lovely fruit. Very bright and vivid. Freddy Bulmer: Lovely nose, which is refined but full, the oak influence neatly balanced with delicious fruit. The palate is lovely in its balance and texture, coating the mouth but with enough acidity to keep things fresh. There is an attractive creaminess and lovely notes of apricot and lime, all wound up in a delicately toasty rounded blanket. The finish is long and builds with time. Smart stuff. Roger Jones: Bittersweet, spiced with juicy apricots and a tingling fresh burst of citrus. Smoky, flinty, gorgeous and lingers an age. Classy."

95/100 JamesSuckling.com (2021 Vintage)
"This is a beautiful and complex wine with sliced apples, lemons, bread dough and salted pie crust. Some grass. Always subtle and complex yet shows intensity. Medium body. Lovely acid balance and an excellent finish. White pepper. Dry. Always excellent."

93+/100 Mike Bennie, The Wine Front, August 2026 (2021 Vintage)
"It's very flinty and puffed up with smoky, slatey mineral notes, a little glossy nuttiness, some soft nougat elements, vanilla cream, lemon curd and a good dose of lime and just ripe pineapple – palate and bouquet meet on these words. It's more flint in the bouquet, the palate softer, more savoury and plush than expected. Almost a whisper of chardonnay-esque things to taste. It's a distinctly interesting and layered wine, though it feels the elements right now are listed rather than a mesh, so give it time."

93/100 Wine Spectator (2021 Vintage)
"Aromatic, complex, succulent and fleshy, offering flavors of beeswax, litsea oil and peach preserves, with candied ginger and honeysuckle accents. A whiff of smoke mingles with the crisp citrus and herbal notes at the lip-smacking core. Drink now through 2034."

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