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PEGASUS BAY MINUETTO SAUVIGNON BLANC / SÉMILLON 2021



\$37.99

Product Code:	4701	Closure:	Screw Cap
Country:	New Zealand	Unit:	Each
Region:	North Canterbury	Volume:	750ml
Sub Region:	Waipara	Alcohol:	14.0%
Style:	White	Grape:	60% Sauvignon Blanc, 40% Sémillon
Variety:	Sauvignon Blanc		
Producer:	Pegasus Bay		



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TASTING NOTES

Producer of the Year - Susie & Peter New Zealand Wines of the Year 2026

Pegasus Bay are no strangers to glowing praise, but they are particularly chuffed about a recent accolade they received being named PRODUCER OF THE YEAR in Susie & Peter's NZ WINES OF THE YEAR 2026.

For those of you that don't know Susie & Peter, they are both UK based MW's and have a very popular podcast called [Wine Blast](#). They tasted through over 200 wines from NZ's best producers to assemble the list. [See the list here](#).

Winery notes (2021 Vintage)

"This is the first edition of our beloved white Bordeaux blend under its new reserve name Minuetto. Comprised of approximately 60% Sauvignon Blanc & 40% Semillon, both varieties were picked in stages, timing each harvest to optimise the grapes' range of natural flavours. They were fermented separately, most of the Sauvignon Blanc in stainless steel to retain the pure fruit character and all the Semillon in oak puncheons to add texture. Approximately one third of the Sauvignon was fermented using whole bunch and then matured on skins for 200 days, to give added complexity. Both varieties were aged on their natural deposits of yeast lees (sur lie) for approximately 10 months, prior to blending. Once bottled, the wine

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was left to age for another 18 months before release, allowing it to integrate further.

It is lemon-straw in colour. Cascading from the glass is a parade of tropical tones, with guava, passionfruit, and grilled pineapple taking centre stage. Contrasted against this are lingering impressions of smoky citrus, nutty biscuit, lanolin, and a herbal undercurrent of crushed oregano. Lavish yet complex, the richly textured mouthfeel soon gives way to ripe phenolics and a rousing lash of acidity that canters across the palate, saddling up for a persistent and lasting finish, beckoning you back for more."

Rated Outstanding & 96/100 Cameron Douglas MS, July 2024 (2021 Vintage)

"Fabulous colour and bouquet of intensity and complexity, wax and peach, lemon and flowers, nettles and lees, peach and pineapple. A fabulous texture and intensity on the palate, fruit tannins and wild ferment flavours create a palate of intrigue and complexity. As the wine opens out in glass flavours of honeysuckle and apple emerge, a complex and lengthy wine with a salivating mouthfeel and finish. Best drinking from 2024 through 2034."

5 Stars & 96/100 Sam Kim, Wine Orbit, July 2024 (2021 Vintage)

"Gorgeously fruited and engaging, the bouquet shows grapefruit, mandarin, dried herb, oatmeal and almond meal characters with a touch of flinty note. The concentrated palate displays outstanding weight and richly textured mouthfeel, wonderfully structured by vibrant acidity. It's impressively complex and flavoursome with a lengthy, exuberant finish. At its best: now to 2036."

5 Stars Michael Cooper, October 2024 (2021 Vintage)

"Still full of youthful energy, the debut 2021 vintage is an estate-grown blend of Sauvignon Blanc, fermented mostly in stainless steel tanks, and Semillon (fermented in oak puncheons). Ripely scented, it is mouthfilling, sweet-fruited and vigorous, with fresh, concentrated peach, passionfruit and lime flavours, oak complexity and appetising acidity. A highly distinctive wine."

5 Stars & 19+/20 (96) Candice Chow, Raymond Chan Reviews, August 2024 (2021 Vintage)

"Bright, even, pale yellow gold. This has a striking lifted bouquet, packed with aromas of struck-match overlying citrus, tropical fruit, roasted nuts and baked herbs. Full-bodied, aromas of lemon, lime and citrus preserve intermix guava, salted pineapple and cardamom, unfolding smoke, nut loaf and dried basil. Fine-textured phenolics flow on a creamy lanolin-like mouthfeel, boosting texture; the smoky struck-match nuance enriches and is well-proportioned and lifted. Enlivening acidity cuts through the richness and carries a lengthy, exuberant finish."

95/100 Dave Brookes, James Halliday's Wine Companion, December 2025 (2021 Vintage)

"Punchy, intense and captivating with aromas of match-struck citrus and tropical fruits, hints of grilled nectarine, crushed stone, lanolin, flint, soft spice, pressed meadow flowers, guava, honeysuckle and hand-smacked fresh oregano leaves. Complex, textural and layered. The wine shows composure and grace, building slowly with a light pithy edge before focusing and trailing away in a cascade of minerals and flinty citrus and apple fruits."

Joelle Thomson, December 2024 (2021 Vintage)

"This wine is modelled on the great whites of Bordeaux, which typically makes up about five per cent of that region's production but shines a seductively different light on Sauvignon Blanc and Semillon. This wine does too with its nuances of creamy texture, vibrant lemongrass, grapefruit and ripe citrus flavours all captured in an incredibly ageworthy wine. Minuetto is a powerful new addition to Aotearoa's wine scene."

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