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PROPHET'S ROCK CUVÉE aux ANTIPODES BLANC 2023

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Product Code:	8387	Closure:	Cork
Country:	New Zealand	Unit:	Each
Region:	Central Otago	Volume:	750ml
Sub Region:	Cromwell / Lowburn / Pisa	Alcohol:	13.0%
Style:	White	Grape:	100% Chardonnay
Variety:	Chardonnay		
Producer:	Prophet's Rock		



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TASTING NOTES

This Chardonnay is a collaboration between Prophet's Rock winemaker Paul Pujol and esteemed French winemaker François Millet from Chambolle-Musigny, Burgundy. Former winemaker at Comte George de Vogüé for 35 vintages, François continues to make wine in Burgundy with his family under 'François Millet et Fils' and with us in New Zealand.

Winery notes (2023 Vintage)

"This wine is the reflect of the Clutha River flowing just below, mineral, transparent and luminous. There is nothing exotic, "artificial" or "made up" about the expression of this wine. That shows again the link between what is emanating from the land, the feeling you have from it and the expression of the wines.

Pale straw in colour, the nose on this wine is a very complex combination of lemon citrus and yellow stonefruit, intermingled with mealy, wheat notes and white jasmine florals. The palate opens with more yellow fruits, lemon curd, and roasted wheat, supported by a chalky-textured frame which is given direction and structure by a vibrant spine of acidity running through the wine.

The finish is extremely long, going on for many minutes with lingering pithy stonefruit and further citrus notes. This is a wine

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that will open-up slowly to reveal even more complexity and will respond well to decanting.

All elements of the winemaking are directed by François who has formed a consistent approach, responding to the individual nuances of each vintage on this small parcel since 2018. The handpicked fruit is gently whole-bunch pressed and fermented in barrel using only indigenous 'wild' yeast. The wine then spent 19 months in barrel (13% new) and underwent indigenous malolactic fermentation."

Reviews for the 2022 vintage below...

96+/100 Erin Larkin, The Wine Advocate (2022 Vintage)

"The 2022 Cuvée Aux Antipodes Blanc is a magnificent triumph of yields. Where previously this 1.8-hectare plot produced anywhere from six to eight barrels of wine, the 2022 produced 23 barrels of wine—very exciting for followers of this cuvée. On the nose, the wine is showing its youth, but far from being inchoate, it is long and polished through the very long finish. It's got lashings of stone fruit and preserved citrus, white pepper, star anise, shaved fennel, juniper and cold buttered toast. This is a wonderful wine of potential and kaleidoscopic complexity, although it is far tighter and more compact than previous years. Searingly good."

5 Stars & 96/100 Stephen Wong MW, The Real Review, April 2025 (2022 Vintage)

"Bright gold. Deep mineral, citrus and spicy oak aromas; very layered yet compact with saline intensity accompanying a more oxidative rather than fruity expression. In the mouth, this is very powerful with caramelised richness underpinning the weighty, palate-staining fruit. Accessible already, this is showing some more developed lees savouriness yet also a youthfully crystalline acidity which holds the full body in check. Spicy, long butterscotch and oak notes trimming the very long finish. It will likely remain in a taut, restrained state for a couple of years before relaxing."

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