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## PEGASUS BAY SAUVIGNON BLANC / SÉMILLON 2017



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: 70% Sauvignon Blanc, 30%  
Sémillon

Variety: Sauvignon Blanc

### TASTING NOTES

70% Sauvignon Blanc & 30% Sémillon

#### Winery notes (2017 Vintage)

"Variable conditions over flowering resulted in a moderate fruit set. The subsequent warm summer then allowed the grapes to ripen beautifully. Naturally smaller berry size and loose open bunches helped accelerate ripening, allowing us to pick the fruit a little earlier this season than usual.

The colour is pale lemon with aromas of citrus blossom, lemon, gooseberry and passionfruit. There is also a hint of struck match complexity arising from skin contact during fermentation. The Semillon component helps fill out the palate, adding fruit weight, richness and age-ability, while also acting to restrain the exuberance of the sauvignon blanc. While the lees contact has added texture and body, the wine remains focussed, with a crisp refreshing acidity that emphasises its mineral notes."

#### 5 Stars Michael Cooper (2017 Vintage)

"This distinctive Waipara, North Canterbury wine is concentrated and complex, with loads of personality. It is typically a 70:30 blend of Sauvignon Blanc and Sémillon, partly (35 per cent) fermented and matured in French

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oak barrels. From vines over 30 years old, the 2017 vintage is bright, light yellow/green, with a complex bouquet. Crisp, full-bodied and dry (0.9 grams/litre of residual sugar), it is a youthful, very vigorous wine, with ripe tropical-fruit flavours, a subtle seasoning of oak, fresh acidity, and a tightly structured, lasting finish. Best drinking 2021+."

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**5 Stars & 95/100 Sam Kim, Wine Orbit, January 2020** (2017 Vintage)

"Gorgeously complex and engaging, the bouquet shows grapefruit, kaffir lime, flint, toasted almond and lemon peel aromas, leading to a concentrated palate that's vibrant and richly textured at the same time. It's opulent and powerful with bright acidity, finishing impressively long and mouth-watering. At its best: now to 2025."

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**94/100 Cameron Douglas MS, October 2019** (2017 Vintage)

"An alluring bouquet of white fleshed fruits and fresh green herbs, but then again it's also tropical fruits and crushed limestone with a whisper of salty air - this is the juxtaposition in action. A very clever bouquet. It is also intense and familiar, seductive and charming. On the palate delicious wine with a core of fruit, vibrant texture with abundant acidity and long steely finish. Drink now and through 2026+."

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**92/100 Bob Campbell MW, The Real Review, July 2020** (2017 Vintage)

"Off on a very different tact here, honeyed fruits and struck flint on the nose. The palate shows lots of savoury elements, broken stones, crushed rosemary and then candied lime zest. Has a weight and warmth that makes you take note. Good length and drive with a fine whip of acid to clean up the finish."

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Reviews for the 2016 vintage below...

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**93/100 Mike Bennie, The Wine Front, June 2018** (2016 Vintage)

"Nice perfume that runs with green herb, peas, lemon and lime, faint tropical fruits. Tart and tight in the palate, really racy style, light chalkiness, good stretch of flavour, zesty and clean. Quiet complexity. Exceptional length actually. Very good."

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