



TECHNICAL DATA

The Adelaide Hills is clearly the leading region for Sauvignon Blanc in Australia. Shaw + Smith has been made since 1990 and is a benchmark for the style.

Vineyards

Sourced from selected sites throughout the Adelaide Hills with over 50% from our own vineyards at Woodside and Balhannah.

- Generally soil structures in the region are shallow red/brown loam over schist and clay
- High density vine plantings – average 2700 vines per hectare
- Cane Pruned and vertical shoot positioned canopies
- Hand picked

Vintage 2006

Wet, windy conditions during Spring lead to poor flowering and in turn reduced crops. Other than 3-4 days of hot weather in late December, the all important months for flavour development and acid retention of February and March were very mild. Exceptional flavours and high natural acidity resulted.

Winemaking

Whole bunches are crushed, chilled and pressed then undergo fermentation in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks. Does not undergo any malolactic fermentation as we are looking to retain fruit purity and natural acidity.

Alcohol: 13%
Residual Sugar: 2.8 g/l
Total Acidity: 7.0 g/l
pH: 3.16

Wine style

Made from 100% Adelaide Hills grapes, the wine is unwooded to maximize varietal punch. The aroma has restrained sauvignon grassiness coupled with riper fruit characters. The palate is fresh and lively with pure varietal flavours and crisp acidity.

Best drunk young.

Vinified and bottled at the Shaw + Smith winery.



WINE REVIEWS

RALPH KYTE-POWELL

The Age, August 2006

"Probably Australia's best Sauvignon Blanc is right on song with this racy 2006 edition."

★★★★ 1/2

90 points

Australia's Top 100 Wines 2006, The Adelaide Advertiser 2006.

GREG DUNCAN POWELL

The Sydney Morning Herald, August 2006

"This is the Australian Sauvignon Blanc by which all others are measured....The acidity is impeccable."

Winner of HYATT ADVERTISER SOUTH AUSTRALIAN WINE OF THE YEAR AWARD CONSUMERS CHOICE 2006

SALLY GUDGEON

The Age, December 2006

"...the quintessential Australian Sauvignon Blanc!"

PETER FORRESTAL

WA Sunday Times Magazine Top 100

"This Adelaide Hills winery produces arguably our best Sauvignon Blanc (brilliant Chardonnay and Shiraz too). This is vibrant, intensely flavoured and refreshingly zesty with taut, fine, natural acidity."