

# HOUGHTON WISDOM PEMBERTON SAUVIGNON BLANC 2009



*"When the bouquet smiles, palatability of the wine is always optimum."*



## BACKGROUND

Houghton has been proudly producing Western Australian wines for nearly 175 years. It is our exacting attention to flavour profile and overall balance in our wines that sets Houghton apart.

Houghton sources the finest fruit from vineyards in all of the premium viticultural areas across Western Australia, to craft exceptional wines that truly reflect their regional origins.

## 2009 VINTAGE

The ripening and harvest conditions in the Pemberton region were ideally suited to the production of intensely flavoured Sauvignon Blanc.

Heavy rainfall during winter and early spring enabled the vines to develop strong and healthy canopies. The summer remained cool, resulting in the gradual ripening of fruit which had excellent flavour and intensity.

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The fruit was harvested from Pemberley Farms and Rewards vineyards at ideal sugar and flavour ripeness. Gentle processing of the fruit and minimal handling in the winery ensured all of the bright fruit flavours were retained. Following fermentation, the wine spent three months on lees contact which enhanced the complexity and mouth feel.

## TASTING NOTES

Brilliant, bright and water white the wine displays intense aromas of fresh passionfruit and citrus with hints of blackcurrant and light herbaceous notes.

The palate is medium bodied with bright, fresh fruit flavours and mineral acidity. Flavours of passionfruit, guava, pear and citrus are complemented by layers of texture.

The 2009 Wisdom Sauvignon Blanc is a fine example of Pemberton Sauvignon Blanc, which may be enjoyed while youthful or will gain complexity with 2-3 years of careful cellaring.

## FOOD SUGGESTION

Enjoy with grilled squid served with an Asian style salad or a selection of hard cheeses.

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### GROWING AREAS

Pemberton

### GRAPE VARIETY

100% Sauvignon Blanc

### WINEMAKER

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ALCOHOL 13.0%

pH 3.3

ACIDITY 7.1 g/litre



**GOLD**

- 2009 Royal Adelaide Wine Show, Class 32

- 2009 Perth Royal Wine Show, Class 6