Golan Heights Winery

A vibrant and aromatic Sauvignon Blanc that captures the crisp essence of Israel's high-altitude Golan Heights.

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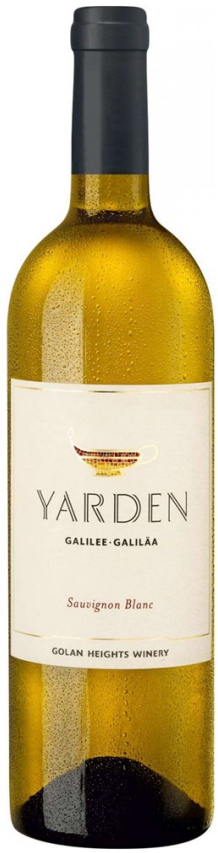

Yarden Sauvignon Blanc 2022

, Israel

Region and Vineyards

The Yarden Sauvignon Blanc 2022 originates from select vineyards on the **Golan Heights**, Israel's premier cool-climate viticultural zone, within the broader **Galilee appellation**. Rising from 400 to 1,200 metres above sea level, this volcanic plateau benefits from **cold winters with snowfall**, wide diurnal ranges, and **well-drained basaltic soils**—conditions that are particularly favorable for growing Sauvignon Blanc with lifted aromatics and lively acidity.

The altitude and temperature variations encourage a slow and even ripening, which enhances the development of aromatic precursors while preserving freshness. These distinct climatic features, coupled with precise vineyard management, allow the fruit to showcase expressive character and structure, making the Golan Heights an exceptional source for varietally pure and energetic white wines.

Winemaking

Crafted under the direction of **Victor Schoenfeld**, the 2022 Yarden Sauvignon Blanc highlights both clarity and complexity. Most of the wine was fermented in stainless steel to preserve varietal brightness, while a **small portion was vinified in French oak barrels**, imparting subtle weight and roundness without masking the purity of fruit.

The wine was bottled early to retain freshness and highlight its aromatic profile. With **12.5% alcohol**, **6.5 g/L of total acidity**, and a **pH of 3.08**, it presents a refreshing and zesty profile. This style is intended for enjoyment in its youth, with optimal drinking within **two years from vintage**.

Tasting Notes

- **Color**: Pale straw with green highlights, bright and youthful.
- **Aroma**: Expressive notes of **guava, gooseberry, lime zest**, and **fig leaf**, layered with **lemongrass and a touch of white spice**.
- **Palate**: Medium-bodied with vibrant acidity, offering a lively core of citrus and tropical fruit, complemented by a hint of oak-derived roundness and a long, mineral finish.

Alcohol :12,50 %

Composition: 100% Sauvignon Blanc

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Did you know?

The Yarden Sauvignon Blanc includes a small percentage of oak fermentation—an unusual yet thoughtful choice for this varietal. It adds texture and subtle complexity, enhancing the wine's structure while preserving its aromatic integrity.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Pan-seared grouper with herbs**: The wine's citrus and herbal notes mirror the freshness of the dish and cut through its richness.
- **Roast chicken with caper-lemon sauce**: A classic pairing that echoes the wine's saline edge and citrus-driven acidity.
- **Goat cheese ravioli with lemon pesto**: A match that balances creaminess with the wine's zesty lift.
- **Asparagus and feta salad**: A go-to vegetarian pairing for Sauvignon Blanc's green notes and brisk freshness.