# 2016 Black Label Sauvignon Blanc

The Alkoomi vineyards and winery are located in the Frankland River district of Western Australia's Great Southern wine region. The name is taken from local aboriginal dialect and means 'a place we chose' and the logo represents the unique and distinctively Australian Grasstree, *Xanthorrhoea preissii*. The first plantings were in 1971 and the region's long, cool ripening conditions are perfect for growing fruit of intense varietal character.



## Winemaking

The estate grown fruit was harvested at optimal ripeness in the early hours of the morning. The juice was pressed to tank and one third was fermented in new and old French oak, the balance in stainless steel. The oak component was left on lees for 3 months before blending and bottling.

## Vintage

A dry winter and fleeting spring was followed by a warm growing season with welcome rainfall in December and January leading to full, healthy canopies enabling excellent yields and great flavour development.

#### Colour

Brilliant pale straw with emerald flecks.

#### Nose

Lifted notes of citrus, guava and cut grass with hints of spice and vanilla.

### Palate

Intense flavours of pink grapefruit, guava, sugarsnap peas and subtle layers of vanilla and dried herbs are filled out by a creamy textural mid palate interwoven with bright refreshing acidity.

## Cellaring

Whilst ready to drink now, this wine will gain in complexity over the next three to five years.

Alcohol

12.5%

