



## Dandelion Vineyards

2021

# ‘WISHING CLOCK OF THE ADELAIDE HILLS’

*Sauvignon Blanc* | *Adelaide Hills - Australia*

### Stats

**Grapes:** 100% Sauvignon Blanc  
**Vineyard:** Borchardt Vineyard  
**Vine Age:** 18-years-old  
**Soil Type:** Brown clay over quartz & schist  
**Viticulture:** Conventional  
**Fermentation:** Inoculated – small stainless steel tanks  
**Aging:** 6 months in stainless steel tanks  
**Alcohol:** 11.5%  
**pH:** 2.92  
**Total Acidity:** 6.6 g/L  
**Total SO<sub>2</sub>:** 99 ppm  
**Total Production:** 2,500 cases  
**UPC:** 9342160000072

### Reviews

Vinous | 90 points

### About

Elena really loves Sauvignon Blanc, but unfortunately it is a variety that is difficult to find great material in South Australia. Much of the clonal material produces too fruity of berries and lacks the savage herbaceous-ness that Sauvignon Blanc wants to show balanced by mouthwatering citrus and a mineral drive. There is a site in Woodside in the Adelaide Hills that Zar helped track down. This vineyard has heritage clone material but relatively young vines. Bill & Vicki Borchardt own this little slice of Sauv heaven atop Teakle's Hill.

The fruit was hand selected and picked on the first week of March in the cool of early morning then destemmed in small batches without crushing the fruit followed by gentle pressing to tank. Only the free run juice is used and fermented with carefully selected yeasts in small tanks at a very cool temperature (12-14°C). After primary fermentation finished the wine was cooled down even further to block secondary fermentation from being carried out. The wine aged in tank for six months prior to being bottled with a light filtration and fining.

### Tasting Note

A very pale, almost clear color. The nose is redolent of citrus and herbs, while the palate has a zippy linearity. It is crisp and chalky, and has a lingering finish.