

# FOOLHARDY



## 2020 Sauvignon Blanc

**Appellation:** Ancient Lakes of Columbia Valley

**Vineyards:** Evergreen

**Varietal Composition:** 100% Sauvignon Blanc

**Cooperage:** 100% used French oak

**Alcohol:** 11.9%

**pH:** 3.2

**Release Date:** June 7, 2021

**Production:** 5 barrels

### Tasting Notes

Our inaugural release Sauvignon Blanc has summer written all over it: vibrant, refreshing, with tropical undertones (passion fruit and guava) adding a note of succulent richness. Bursting with sunny citrus flavors (lime, lemon and a bit of grapefruit), and underscored by the vineyard's distinctive mineral character, this wine has the cut and verve for a terrific summer aperitif. Native yeast fermentation in used French oak barrels, and frequent lees stirring, adds texture and warm brioche weight to the flavors

This wine is a great match with all kinds of summer fare. If you start the evening out on the deck with a spicy ceviche or gazpacho, then transition to the dinner table for marinated pork tenderloin, grilled fish or barbecued chicken, you will not go wrong. Our Sauvignon Blanc will gain weight with aeration and a few extra months in bottle, and we suggest taking it out of the refrigerator 15-20 minutes before pouring.

### Evergreen Vineyard

Winemaking demands patience, and that has certainly been the case for Foolhardy and our pursuit of a prime white wine vineyard. It took us five years to find the right site--one that delivers the mouthwatering combination of fruit intensity, vibrant acidity and minerality we prize in our favorite whites from France and Germany--but we've got it in Evergreen Vineyard, located in the Ancient Lakes of Columbia Valley appellation, a good hour drive north of our red grape vineyards. What makes this site so unusual for both Washington State and, indeed, the entire US West Coast, is the high proportion of limestone in the soils. A lot of factors go into creating a quality white grape vineyard, but relatively cool growing conditions and limestone-rich soils are a terrific starting point.

**Foolhardy** is a boutique winery in Walla Walla, Washington, focused on small-lot, high-quality wines. We believe that good winemaking must be transparent, showcasing the energy and vibrancy of ripe grapes.

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