

BORDEAUX-STYLE



DeLILLE
CELLARS

Chaleur Blanc

VARIETAL

67% Sauvignon Blanc
33% Sémillon

APELLATION

Columbia Valley AVA

AGING

Drink Now or Age 3
to 10 Years

VINEYARD

Boushey Vineyard
Sagemoor Vineyard
Klipsun Vineyard
Phinny Hill Vineyard
Conner Lee Vineyard



2021 The 2021 Chaleur Blanc showcases **VINTAGE** Sauvignon Blanc in its youth, presenting a beautiful pale yellow color with hints of green and aromas of golden hay, grapefruit, and a whisper of tropical fruit. Six months of aging in French oak contributes alluring aromas of forest floor, chocolate mint and savory baked brioche. Fresh white peach fruit flavors combine with thyme on the palate, with a wonderful round presence from the cooperage. Although moderate for acidity versus recent vintages, there is plenty of energy to this wine, promising enjoyment for at least a decade.

WINEMAKING

Whole cluster pressed, fermented in 90% French oak (60% new) and 10% stainless steel with partial native yeast, and aged 7 months on lees. 13.9% Alcohol

95

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Owen Bargreen

93+

Robert Parker

93

Wine Enthusiast

“A blend of 67% Sauvignon and 33% Semillon, the 2021 Chaleur Blanc will give a top Bordeaux Blanc a run for its money. Bright lemon curd, honeyed minerality, acacia flowers, and hints of brioche all define the aromatics, and it’s medium to full-bodied, with a pure, layered, seamless mouthfeel, integrated acidity, and a great finish. It’s beautifully done and will evolve for at least a decade (although I like it today).”