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Bright, vibrant energy in the bottle – The Ned 2009 Sauvignon Blanc

The judges recognised the terrific quality of The Ned 2009 Sauvignon Blanc, awarding it a Blue Gold and ranking in the Top 100 at this year's Sydney International Wine Show.

"It's another plaudit for our Sauvignon Blanc which, thanks to this year's exceptional vintage, we've described as bright vibrant, energy in the bottle. It's that good!" said The Ned proprietor, Brent Marris.

This single vineyard wine has subtle fruit sweetness against acidity, giving a soft yet dry finish. Crafted by young winemaker Liam McElhinney, this 09 Sauvignon helped secure Liam's nomination as one of just two Kiwi winemakers among the 10 finalists in this year's Australasian Young Winemaker of the Year.

It's just the fourth vintage for The Ned, the label established by Brent Marris in Marlborough's Waihopai Valley.

"Our Sauvignon Blanc is instantly recognisable for its pure Marlborough flavours and it's a perfect match with seafood so we're very pleased with this recognition from the main Australian wine event that guides consumer choice," he said.

The Sydney show is one of the few in the world to judge wines based on their 'food-friendly' characteristics.

Blue-Gold Medals are awarded to the highest scoring Gold Medal wines selected from the 2000 wines submitted for judging.

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