Vintage 2016

Vintage 2016 started with extremely dry spring. Normally we receive about 150mm of rain in early growing season, October to December. There were only 10mm of rain till mid December 2015. Folium has been growing grape without irrigation since 2011, but this year we had to irrigate once for 8 hours. However after December, raining pattern changed a lot, and vines were enjoying the moist in the ground.

Because of the good flowering in December, and good rainfall, bunch size were 30% higher than other years. Crop thinning was the key factor for this vintage to produce quality wine.

	Rain Fall 2016	Rain Fall LTA	GDD 2016	GDD LTA
Jul	35.2	63.1	6.9	9.2
Aug	49.8	62.5	22.5	18.9
Sep	54.4	50.7	28	56.1
Oct	6	56.1	116.2	103.7
Nov	2.8	47.1	152.1	145.1
Dec	17.4	47.6	184.3	216.1
Jan	69.2	48.5	272.4	252.4
Feb	18	44.5	290.9	225.2
Mar	46.8	43.6	217.3	197.7
Apr	25.6	53.7	116.1	110.9
May	89.2	63.7	95.1	59.1
Jun	76.8	59.9	 30.1	19.3
Total	491.2	641	1531.9	1413.7

Precise weather data is available from https://www.mrc.org.nz/blenheim-weather-station

Technical Data for Vintage 2016

<Folium Vineyard 2016 Sauvignon Blanc>

Harvest date: 7th and 8th of April 2016

Analysis: Alc. 14.3%, TA 6.8g, pH 3.04, Free SO2 34mg. RS <1.0g

Production: 599 Cases

<Folium Vineyard 2016 Reserve Sauvignon Blanc>

Harvest date: 1st of April, 2016

Analysis: Alc. 13.6%, TA 6.8g, pH 2.95, Free SO2 35mg. RS<1.0g

Production: 559 Cases

<Folium Vineyard 2016 Pinot Noir>

Harvest date: 20tt of March, 2016

Analysis: Alc. 13.5%, TA 4.5g, pH 3.72, Free SO2 44mg

Production: 437 Cases

<Folium Vineyard 2016 Reserve Pinot Noir> Harvest date: 17th of March, 2016

Analysis: Alc. 12.7%, TA 4.6g, pH 3.71, Free SO2 35mg

Production: 167 Cases