

2016 Estate Luminesce

Seven Hills Vineyard · Walla Walla Valley

91 points, Robert Parker, www.RobertParker.com,
June 2018

"A blend of Sémillon and Sauvignon Blanc, the 2016 Luminesce Seven Hills Vineyard offers up aromas of honeyed peaches and frangipane. On the palate, it's ample, full-bodied and glossy, with juicy balancing acids and a cheery, chalky finish. Lacking any of the grassy botanicals that Sauvignon Blanc often displays, it could pass for a white Rhône blend or even a ripe Chardonnay."

– William Kelley

90 points – Wine Enthusiast, December 2017

"Light aromas of fig and spice lead to well-balanced fruit flavors that draw out on the finish. Some additional time in the bottle should serve it well. Give it until late 2018." – Sean Sullivan

90 points – Jeb Dunnuck, www.JebDunnuck.com,
April 2018

"The 2016 Estate Luminesce Semillon Sauvignon Blanc Seven Hills Vineyard from L'Ecole is 56% Semillon and 44% Sauvignon. Its pale gold color is followed by terrific notes of white peach, buttered citrus, and honeysuckle. These carry to a medium-bodied, rich, textured white that has nicely integrated acidity and a clean finish. It's rock solid and is going to be versatile on the dinner table. I'm seeing more and more high-quality Bordeaux Blanc blends from Washington State, and this is one of them. It's also a great value." – Jeb Dunnuck

89 points - Stephen Tanzer, Vinous, October 2017

"(14.5% alcohol; less than 6% new oak used, just for the Sémillon; the two varieties were fermented separately): Bright yellow with a gold tinge. A step up in lift and complexity from the Sémillon, offering lemon, orange and stone fruit aromas along with a hint of vanillin oak. Plusher and deeper than the Sémillon but a bit less open to inspection today. A distinctly warm-climate style but its silky texture is nicely framed by sound acidity and its finish displays a firm spine." – Stephen Tanzer

88 points, James Suckling, www.JamesSuckling.com,
May 2018

"Big, rich lemon sponge cake and orange blossoms. A rather deep-set palate that has plenty of ripe fruit flesh and texture. Drink now." – James Suckling

18.5/20 points, Best Buy, Rand Sealy's Review of
Washington Wines,
www.reviewofwashingtonwines.com, July 2018

"This 56% Semillon, 44% Sauvignon Blanc combination offers a brilliant lemon-gold color and attractive aromas of pear, peach, cantaloupe and citrus with scents of spring flowers, lemon verbena and hazelnut. The flavors are crisp and vigorous, counterpointed by a waxy texture (from the Semillon) accompanied by notes of pear skin, peach stone and minerals. The back picks up poire William liqueur, melon rind and lemon zest, followed by a crisp, dry finish." – Rand Sealey

The Tri-City Herald, Great Northwest Wine, 'The white wines of L'Ecole', October 2017, www.tricityherald.com

"This white Bordeaux blend from estate fruit shows off aromas of lemon zest, chiffon, all backed by impressive acidity and a nice mouth weight. Pair with smoked meats, seafood or pasta."
- Andy Perdue & Eric Degerman

Medals & Competitions

Silver – Walla Walla Valley Wine Competition, 2018