

BLACK HILLS ESTATE WINERY

Current Vintage	2009
First Vintage	2003
Bud Break	April 30, 2008
Verasion	August 3, 2008
Harvest Dates	September 14 to 18 2009
Final Blend	75% Sauvignon Blanc 25% Semillon
Bottling Dates	March 24 , 2010
Alcohol	13.8%
Average Vine Maturity	13 year old vines



2009 Vineyard Notes

The 2009 growing season started off with a cool spring which resulted in a later than normal bud break.

However the cool spring was quickly followed by an exceptional fruit set in June and excellent growing conditions. This enabled rapid vine growths and the vineyard caught up quickly to where it should be. Steady warm and dry conditions graced the valley throughout the summer months and into the fall which made for an early ripening of the grapes. The result was fruit of first-rate quality, some of the best we have ever seen.

Steve Carberry
Winegrower, Black Hills Estate Winery



Vinification Notes

The nose on the 2009 Alibi is crisp and refreshing with lifted lime zest and grapefruit notes developing into complex tropical fruit aromas.

The palate displays more citrus, grassiness and minerality which are typical characteristics for a sauvignon blanc. I find that this wine has great structure, a very nice mouth feel and a long smooth finish. This makes Alibi not only a fantastic wine for food but enjoyable on its own as well

Graham Pierce
Winegrower, Black Hills Estate Winery

