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HIDDEN BENCH VINEYARDS & WINERY 2005 NUIT BLANCHE ROSOMEL VINEYARD

Beamsville Bench, Niagara Peninsula \$40 This rich and ripe white is a blend of Sauvignon Blanc (86 percent) and Semillon (14 percent) that has been cleverly oaked to impart a cunningly smoky element to the finished wine. There's a grilled pineapple core to this focused wine that's absolutely delicious – it manages to be thoughtful and tempting in turns. The sheer intensity of fruit and quality of oak is amazing. 120 cases. www.hiddenbench.com