

## Nederburg The Winemasters Reserve Chenin Blanc 2007

The inclusion of some very ripe grapes has contributed a rich, raisiny complexity counterbalanced by fresh, crisp fruit with a lively acidity. It's a very aromatic, full-bodied, almost voluptuous wine. On the nose you will pick up ripe stone fruit and raisins, underpinned by a flintiness. These same qualities show on the palate and they linger on the aftertaste.

It's a big but beautifully balanced wine that stands up extremely well to spicy foods. Think Thai and Indian dishes, as well as cream-based sauces and even fruit desserts.

**variety :** Chenin Blanc | 100% Chenin Blanc

**winery :** Nederburg Wines

**winemaker :** Tarito Masayiti

**wine of origin :** Coastal

**analysis :** alc : 13.94 % vol   rs : 8.0 g/l   pH : 3.3   ta : 6.3 g/l

**type :** White   **style :** Off Dry   **taste :** Herbaceous   **wooded**

**pack :** Bottle   **closure :** Cork

2008 Veritas Awards - Silver Medal

2008 Michelangelo Awards - Grand D'Or Winner

**in the vineyard :** Grapes, sourced from 15- to 20-year-old vineyards in Darling, Stellenbosch and Bottelary Hills, yielded no more than six to eight tons per hectare.

**about the harvest:** The grapes were harvested by hand and machine at between 22° and 24° Balling from February to end March.

**in the cellar :** The earlier-harvested grapes were fermented in the tanks, while the riper fruit, comprising some 20% of the final blend, after limited skin contact, was fermented in French wood for layering of flavour and creaminess of texture. The barrel-fermented portion spent eight months in second- and third-fill 300-litre and 500-litre oak and was regularly stirred on the lees to enhance texture and flavour.



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