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# Mulderbosch Sauvignon Blanc 2008

Clear, light lime green color. A tropical nose packed with guava, green fig, granadilla and a hint of floral - yet still maintaining a complex character of nettle and freshly cut grass. The mouth-filling ripe fruit is supported by crisp acid. This wine screams one thing: "Give me more !!!"

Serve at 12° - 15° C. Versatile at table served with char-grilled artichokes; oysters; grilled line fish and shellfish; calamari; smoked salmon; seafood paella; chicken à la king; and oven baked goat's milk cheese.




**variety :** Sauvignon Blanc | 100% Sauvignon Blanc
**winery :** Mulderbosch Vineyards
**winemaker :** Mike Dobrovic
**wine of origin :** Stellenbosch/Elgin
**analysis :** **alc :** 12.28 % vol **rs :** 4.5 g/l **pH :** 3.35 **ta :** 7 g/l **so2 :** 127 mg/l **fso2 :** 56 mg/l
**type :** White **style :** Dry **taste :** Fruity
**pack :** Bottle **closure :** Cork

08 Vintage: 4 stars in John Platter; Rated 90/100 by Steve Tanzer's International Wine ellar (USA) March/April 2009; 87/100 by Wine Enthusiast
07 Vintage: 4½ stars in John Platter
06 Vintage: Rated 91/100 by Steve Tanzer's International Wine Cellar (USA); 4 stars in John Platter
05 Vintage: 90/100 is USA Wine Spectator - November 2005 edition; 4½ stars in John Platter
04 Vintage: 4½ stars in John Platter's; 3½ stars in Wine Magazine June 2005
03 Vintage: Michelangelo International Wine Awards 2003 - Silver
US Wine Spectator - Top 100 Wines of 2003 (No.28)
92/100 Smart Buy & one of Top 100 Wines for 2003 in USA Wine Spectator - September 2003
4½ stars in John Platter
01 Vintage: 3½ stars in John Platter; One of USA Wine Spectator's 100 Wines of 2001; 4 stars Wine Magazine - August 2001 edition.
00 Vintage: 4½ stars in John Platter.
98 Vintage: 4 stars in John Platter (nudging 5 stars); SAA Business Class Top Ten.
97 Vintage: 4 stars in John Platter: "Best of the Bunch", superior Cape Quality; 4 stars Wine Magazine - November 1997 edition and April 1998 edition.
96 Vintage: in the John Platter: "Best of the Bunch", superior Cape Quality; 4 stars Wine Magazine - October 1996 edition.
95 Vintage: 4½ stars in John Platter; the only SA Gold Medal winner at USA Intervin; only SA selection in the German "Top 100 Wines of the World" list for 1996; on SAA Wine List.
94 Vintage: 5 stars in John Platter; SAA Wine List; 4 stars Wine Magazine November 1994 edition.
93 Vintage: 4½ in John Platter; SA Young Wine Show: Gold; SAA White Wine Trophy.
92 Vintage : 4 stars in John Platter; SA Wine Show - Gold

**in the vineyard :** Area: 94% Stellenbosch, 6% Elgin
Soil Type: Decomposed Malmesbury Shale, Tukulu, Hutton
Age of vines: 5 to 26 years
Trellising: Bush vines and 3 wire vertical shoot position trellis
Vine Density: 3 300 vines/ha
Yield: 6.0 to 8.0 tonnes per hectare
Irrigation: Yes, drip

**about the harvest:** Picking date: From the 25th of January to the 17th of March 2008
Grape Sugar: 18.5° to 23.5° B
Acidity: 7.0 - 12 g/l at harvest
pH at harvest: 3.1 - 3.40
Total production: 18 000 x 12

**in the cellar :** The grapes were harvested, crushed and pressed. After this the must was cold settled for 2 days and racked before being inoculated with a variety of select yeast cultures. The wine was fermented cold and given extended lees contact. Reductive winemaking techniques were applied to preserve the fruit character

throughout blending and bottling.