

Mulderbosch Sauvignon Blanc Noble Late Harvest 2007

Glistening gold, gentle tropical honey and pineapple nose. Flavoursome mouthful, ripe fruit and an orange zest. Intense sweetness braced by zesty acid and low alcohol. Hard to resist young, it gains complexity for up to 12 years.

Marry with mixed berries and cardamom cream; crème caramel; peeled pear or petit fours. Ideal with duck liver paté, fresh fruit or to linger after a meal.

variety : Sauvignon Blanc | 100% Sauvignon Blanc

winery : Mulderbosch Vineyards

winemaker : Richard Kershaw

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 12.97 % vol rs : 150.6 g/l pH : 3.48 ta : 8.8 g/l so2 : 213 mg/l
fso2 : 21 mg/l

type : Dessert **style** : Sticky

pack : Bottle **closure** : Cork

ageing : Although drinking superbly now, it will continue to develop further in the bottle over the next 12 years.

about the harvest : Picking date: 25 April 2007

Grape Sugar: 42° - 45° B at harvest

Acidity: 7.58 g/l at harvest

pH at harvest: 3.79

The grapes were hand picked.

in the cellar : After harvesting the grapes were allowed skin contact with enzyme overnight before being pressed. A very long press cycle was followed. The juice was cold settled for two days and then racked to French oak barriques with three percent of the lees. After four days the wine started spontaneous fermentation. The wine underwent no malolactic fermentation and was left on the gross lees for six months. After barrel maturation the wine was lightly fined, filtered and then bottled.

Total production: 4420 x 500ml bottles

Fermentation temperature: 18° - 30° C

Wood ageing: 100% new French oak barrels (225 litre) for 6 months.

