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# Boschendal 1685 Sauvignon Blanc 2009

This straw-coloured wine has an aroma of herbs and tropical fruit, with hints of lime and green fig. These complex flavours carry through to the creamy, harmonious palate adding to the mineral zesty finish.

The ideal partner for smoked fish, seafood and creamy poultry or veal dishes.

**variety :** Sauvignon Blanc | 92% Sauvignon Blanc with 8% Semillon
**winery :** Boschendal Estate
**winemaker :** JC Bekker
**wine of origin :** Coastal
**analysis :** **alc :** 13.5 % vol **rs :** 3.4 g/l **pH :** 3.3 **ta :** 6.5 g/l
**type :** White **style :** Dry **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
**pack :** Bottle **closure :** Cork

2011 Decanter World Wine Awards - Bronze
2008 Veritas Awards - Silver Medal
2008 Michelangelo International Wine Award - Silver

**ageing :** Ready to drink now.

**in the vineyard :** A blend dominated by 92% Sauvignon Blanc with 8% Semillon. Grapes are from vineyards planted on decomposed granite, stony clay soils and rich alluvial soils, at altitudes ranging from 150 - 400m above sea level.

Meticulous spur-pruning and the removal of excess shoots left only the two to three best-developed shoots per spur. Two weeks before harvest, leaves were removed between bunches within the canopy, taking care that no grapes were exposed to direct sun in the process. This resulted in better aeration in the bunch zone and ensured flavour retention in the berries. The growth period was initially warm, followed by cooler weather.

**about the harvest:** All the grapes were hand-picked in the cool of the early morning, ensuring crisp fruit expression in the wine.

**in the cellar :** Vinification is reductive, which means all air is excluded from the grape processing operation. This is done to protect the delicate Sauvignon Blanc flavours. The Sauvignon Blanc was fermented at 16 degrees Celsius. A small portion of Semillon, matured in small oak for a short period of time was added to enhance complexity and texture to the mid-palate. 5% Sauvignon Blanc was matured in oak.




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