

Kanu Sauvignon Blanc 2011

The Sauvignon Blanc has hints of gooseberry, guava, freshly cut green grass, nettles and green pepper on the nose. A good balance between natural fruit sugars and acid results into a crisp clean finish, packed with flavours of bell peppers and crushed rosemary.

This wine goes extremely well with fresh oysters, sole ceviche, grilled calamari and mushroom risotto.

variety : Sauvignon Blanc | 92.7% Sauvignon Blanc; 7.3% Semillon

winery : Kanu Wines

winemaker : Johan Grimbeek

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 13.08 % vol rs : 3.3 g/l pH : 3.22 ta : 7.1 g/l va : 0.21 g/l

so2 : 133 mg/l fso2 : 29 mg/l

type : White body : Light

pack : Bottle closure : Screwcap

in the vineyard : The grapes were hand-picked from various regions within the Western Cape.

about the harvest: Date of Harvest: February

Type of Harvest: Hand harvest

in the cellar :

After gentle destemming and crushing, skin contact took place for up to 8 hours, where after the grapes were gently pressed. The free run juice was separated from the pressed portion. Reductive wine making techniques prohibited the juice from becoming oxidised, saving the aromatics. Selected cultured yeast was used in combination for enhanced complexity and flavour spectrum. After the completion of alcoholic fermentation, the wine was kept on the lees and mixed weekly. Healthy lees have been described as the mother of the wine and with regular mixing of the tanks, better structure and complexity is achieved. The wine spent 3 months on the lees, there after blending, a light fining put on, cold stabilised, filtered and then bottled.

