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Steenberg H.M.S. Rattlesnake Sauvignon Blanc 2011

The 2011 vintage saw a warmer growing season, resulting in a furrier and more tropical wine than 2010. Ripe pineapple with guavas and passion fruit, on the nose, is followed by a light smoky mineral character. On the palate the wine shows great structure and a rich mouth feel, beautiful flavours of litchis and winter melon.

Enjoy with a Parma ham and melon salad on a hot summers day.



variety : Sauvignon Blanc | 100% Sauvignon Blanc
winery : Steenberg Vineyards
winemaker : JD Pretorius
wine of origin : Darling, Durbanville, Constantia
analysis : **alc :** 13.5 % vol **rs :** 2.6 g/l **pH :** 3.12 **ta :** 7.1 g/l
type : White **taste :** Herbaceous **wooded**
pack : Bottle **closure :** Screwcap

in the vineyard : Cultivar: Sauvignon Blanc
Harvest Date: February - March 2011
Trellising: Elongated Perold
Age of Vines: 17 - 22 years
Pruning: Spur - 2 bud
Rootstock: Richter 110

about the harvest: Grapes sourced from Darling, Durbanville and Constantia.
Yield: 6.0t/ha

in the cellar : 20% of each was barrel fermented and aged for a total of 90 days in 500 litre and 600 litre French oak barrels (20% new, 60% 2nd fill and 20% 3rd fill). The rest was fermented in stainless steel and kept on the gross lees for 90 days. Hereafter the wine was blended and kept in stainless steel until bottling.

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