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Villiera Sauvignon Blanc 2020

In keeping with the trend towards fruit driven wines this Sauvignon Blanc displays intense varietal character including passion fruit and a hint of green pepper. The inclusion of some wine from our old Bushvine vineyard provides greater freshness and vibrancy.

It can be enjoyed alone or as an accompaniment to good seafood.

variety : Sauvignon Blanc | 100% Sauvignon Blanc
winery : Villiera Wines
winemaker : Jeff Grier
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 13.3 % vol **rs :** 4.6 g/l **pH :** 3.12 **ta :** 6.6 g/l
type : White **style :** Dry **body :** Medium **taste :** Fruity
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Screwcap

Gilbert & Gaillard International Challenge: GOLD
Platters Wine Guide: 4 Star



ageing : Although attractive now our 2020 Sauvignon Blanc can be kept for a further 2 to 3 years.

Sauvignon Blanc is South Africa's most popular variety. We make 2 different styles, our "Bush Vine Blanc Fume" made from old bush vines and our regular Sauvignon Blanc made from trellised vines.

in the vineyard : Area of Origin: Stellenbosch

about the harvest: The grapes are picked at optimum ripeness which, in the case of Sauvignon Blanc 2020 was 13.3% alcohol. This is to ensure phenolic ripeness. We ensure good protection of the fruit from oxidation and the hand harvesting occurs mainly in the early morning to take advantage of cooler conditions. 2020 was a warm vintage and a portion had to be picked early to ensure sufficient freshness.

in the cellar : After crushing and destalking we allow 6 hours of skin contact on the majority to maximise varietal character. The early picked portion was whole bunch pressed. This is followed by gentle pressing and fraction separation. Only the free run and first pressing is used for Sauvignon Blanc. After settling the clear juice is naturally fermented at approximately 14c. A small portion (15%) was barrel fermented. Then it is blended, stabilized and bottled in May /June

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