

## Neethlingshof Sauvignon Blanc 2004

Winemaker De Wet Viljoen describes the wine as a being a light in colour with brilliant greenish hues. On the nose a combination of green figs, grassiness, tropical fruit, pineapple, granadilla and guava backed by a hint of green pepper and asparagus. This is a full-bodied wine with great complexity and flavours to please everyone's palate.

This wine is an ideal companion to poultry, seafood, salads or on its own on a hot summer's day.

**variety :** Sauvignon Blanc | 100% Sauvignon Blanc

**winery :** Neethlingshof Wine Estate

**winemaker :** De Wet Viljoen

**wine of origin :** Coastal

**analysis :** alc : 13.5 % vol    rs : 1.5 g/l    pH : 3.39    ta : 6.0 g/l

**type :** White    **style :** Dry    **body :** Full    **taste :** Fruity    **organic**

**pack :** Bottle

**ageing :** The wine has a refreshing vibrancy when young, gaining fullness as it ages. It will remain crisp and fresh " helped along by its racy acidity " when cellared under the correct conditions for up to 2 years.

**in the vineyard :** The Neethlingshof estate in Stellenbosch is named after it's illustrious 19th century owner. Marthinus Laurentius Neethling who served as mayor of Stellenbosch and was also a senator of the Cape. His flamboyant bearing earned him the moniker "Lord Neethling". The estate is owned jointly by Distell and LUSAN.

The vines, originally from French vines, were cloned in South Africa and are grafted onto the nematode-resistant Richter 99 and 110 rootstocks. Planted in Tukulu soils, the vines are south-west facing exposing them to the cool False Bay breezes.

**about the harvest:** The grapes were harvested by hand and machine at the end of February at 22-23.5° Balling.

**in the cellar :** The grapes were then crushed and cool-fermented in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks at between 13° and 15° C. After fining with Bentonite, the wine was bottled in the beginning of May.



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