

# SAUVIGNON BLANC, PAUL CLUVER

Vintage

2023





## TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol	Residual sugar
13.6	2.2
рН	Acidity
3.33	6.8

23% of the total plantings of Paul Cluver Wines are planted to Sauvignon Blanc, with vines ranging in age from 5 to 16 years.

#### TASTING NOTE

This bright Sauvignon blanc with a touch of a green hue shows an impressive range of aromas on the nose, with scents of nettles, blackcurrant and white flowers evident. The expression of the nose follows through to the palate with discernible notes of passion fruit and gooseberry complimented by a bracing salinity, the mouthfeel being one of complexity and length. A fresh wine, with great balanced acidity and a lingering finish. 90% Sauvignon Blanc, 10% Semillon.

## VINTAGE CONDITIONS

After a cold winter with good replenishing rainfall, the vineyards experienced great growing conditions leading up to the 2023 harvest. The moderate day temperatures and cool night temperatures of spring and early summer were ideal for the development of diverse flavours in the grapes as well as retaining high natural acidities. The Sauvignon blanc harvest started on the 7th March and finished on the 22nd March. Picking in the cool early hours of the morning, placed in cold storage overnight to ensure optimal quality and varietal expression. Grapes were harvested between 21-23.6 ° Brix.

### VINIFICATION DETAILS

The Paul Cluver Sauvignon blanc has always been recognized for its elegance, balance, and an expression of terroir and the 2023 is evidence to that. The role of the cellar is to highlight the typicity of the Estate but also the vintage. Pressing is gentle and careful attention is dedicated to handling the wine to produce only the best quality Sauvignon blanc. To ensure a more complex wine with a richer mid palate, 10 % Semillon is blended with the Sauvignon blanc. All of the Semillon was fermented and aged in 2500l Foudre's.

AWARDS

Tim Atkin MW: 90 pts

DWWA: Gold IWC: Gold

## **ATTRIBUTES**













Andries Burger

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Yes