

## Comments of a Bon Vivant:

*Spring vibes. An inspirational wine, best enjoyed with friends that enjoy good conversation and delicious food. Try with Indian dishes, sushi, roasted chicken, and grilled veal chops.*

## Neil Ellis Groenekloof Sauvignon Blanc



Neil Ellis is considered to be one of the most influential pioneers of the modern-day South African wine industry. His vision, the pursuit of quality, extended out of the cellar and into the vineyards where varieties would excel and best express a particular style of wine reflective of their environment. Today, the experience and knowledge of the past are applied to modern techniques and technologies for a new generation of winemaking. The team at Neil Ellis Wines, which includes Neil's daughter and two sons in leading roles, believes in responsible environmental practices. They are committed to respecting the soil, cutting water use, recycling and reducing energy use and greenhouse emissions. They are a member of the IPW, a voluntary environmental sustainability program, and comply to their regulations. In addition, they are a proud member of South Africa's WIETA and the Cape Winemaker's guild with its Protégé program, demonstrating the family's commitment to ethical work practices and the promotion of the industry's diversity program.



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Emotions/Occasions:  
Inspiration  
Hope*

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SKU: 830589

Region	Coastal Region
Classification	2024
Vintage	100% Sauvignon Blanc
Grapes	Decomposed granite and clay
Soil Composition	Bush vines
Vineyard Training	40 hl/ ha
Density/Yield	100% fermented in 500 litre oak casks. Maturation for 8 months in new and used 500 litre oak barrels.
Fermentation	13 %
Alcohol	1.5 g/l
Residual Sugar	3.45 g/l
PH	6.8 g/l
TA	35 mg/l
Free SO <sup>2</sup>	108 mg/l
Total SO <sup>2</sup>	

## VITICULTURE

The Groenekloof vineyards are located in Darling, on rocky hills that run parallel to the Atlantic Ocean. This coastal position benefits from a strong maritime influence, with the cool Benguela Current and persistent south-easterly winds moderating daytime temperatures. As a result, grapes ripen slowly and retain remarkable natural freshness.

The soils are composed of deep red, decomposed granite and clay, known for their excellent moisture retention. Most of the vineyards are dry-farmed bush vines with naturally low vigor, which puts the vines under stress and limits yields. Combined with nutrient-poor soils, cool, dry days, and cold nights, these conditions produce small, intensely flavored berries. The result is a powerful, pure, and highly expressive Sauvignon Blanc that perfectly reflects the cool, stony, and windswept terroir of Groenekloof.

## SALES FACTS:

- *Member of South Africa's IPW program*
- *Member of Wine & Agricultural Industry Ethical Trade Association (WIETA)*
- *Combining European traditions with the diversity of South African terroirs*