



SEBEKA
2007 SAUVIGNON BLANC
WESTERN CAPE

Our winemaker Andries Blake believes that it is important to honor South Africa's 350-year winemaking heritage while appealing to today's wine tastes. Sebeka wines offer complex flavors yet remain uniquely approachable for American wine consumers. By balancing the exotic aromas and intense fruit flavors of Sebeka wines, Andries strives to evoke the natural beauty of the South African landscape.

The Vintage

The grapes used to create the 2007 Sebeka South African Sauvignon Blanc were grown in a number of South Africa's finest vineyard districts located across the Western Cape, predominantly Breedekloof. The cooler districts benefit from the fog created by the cold ocean currents coming north from Antarctica, as well as the vigorous "Cape Doctor" cross winds coming from the Indian ocean. Soils are typically sandstone and sandy alluvium.

The cold winter and generally favorable conditions ensured that the grapes were healthy and could ripen perfectly. Despite a heat wave at the start of harvest, the nights remained cool. This, combined with the cool temperatures preceding the early harvest, produced grapes of very high quality.

Winemaking

The Sauvignon Blanc grapes were carefully hand harvested and gently de-stemmed. They were then crushed, pressed and allowed to settle overnight. Each lot was fermented in upright stainless steel tanks to retain the bright fruit flavors and natural acidity of the grapes as to retain a crisp structure. The juice fermented slowly at 14°C. None of the lots underwent malolactic fermentation. Andries then sampled the finished lots and chose the ideal blend, arriving at a wonderfully balanced, crisp wine.

Tasting Notes

Our 2007 Sebeka South Africa Sauvignon Blanc is a vibrant New World style wine that offers a generous bouquet of gooseberry, tropical fruits and herbal notes. The palate confirms the bouquet, with the flavors accented by subtle mineral notes.

The crisp acidity and bright tropical fruits evident in this wine pair well with a wide variety of foods, especially Asian and Indian cuisines. This wine is at its best if enjoyed within one year of release.

Alcohol	12.8 %
Sugar	6 g/l
Total Acid	6.5 g/l
pH	3.5