

Appellation Series  
*Elgin Sauvignon Blanc*



FOUNDED 1685  
**BOSCHENDAL**



Boschendal Elgin Sauvignon Blanc is singular in its expression of the pristine geographical nuances and the unique character typical of its cool climate vineyard origins.

**Vintage:** 2017  
**Variety:** 100% Sauvignon Blanc  
**Wine of Origin:** Elgin

**In the Vineyard:**

This Sauvignon Blanc is sourced from the highest vineyard in Elgin on a mountain plateau 500m above sea level only 18km away from the cool Atlantic Ocean. The vineyard, located on well-drained Bokkeveld shale soils, is one of the latest ripening sites in the Cape. Grapes were harvested by hand at an average 21.9°B, with bunch selection done in the vineyard and cool transportation in small bins to preserve the integrity of the fruit.

**Vinification:**

A second berry sorting by hand occurred on arrival at the cellar and ensured that only the optimum quality grapes were crushed. All cellar tactics and handling decisions were made to retain freshness and emphasise the natural fruit quality and purity. All air contact with the juice and wine was avoided by using inert gasses to preserve the inherent fruit flavours. Fermentation took place in stainless steel tanks at a controlled temperature of 16°C. Wine was left on the primary lees after fermentation. Stirring of the lees happened weekly for the first eight weeks, thereafter once monthly. This process, called bâtonnage, ensures a rounded and soft structure on the mid-palate of the wine and a rich, lingering finish.

**Winemaker's Tasting Notes:**

Glistening pale gold with a vibrant green hue.

**On the nose:** An expressive aromatic nose with generous white asparagus, Tahiti lime, fleshy peach, Cape gooseberry and lemon verbena.

**Palate:** Limey, chalky characteristics carry through to a broad yet intricate palate detailed by a distinct minerality and riveting freshness on a lingering zesty finish.

**Ageing potential:** This Sauvignon Blanc will stand the test of time. Drink now, or enjoy the intriguing, complex ageing for another five to eight years.

**Technical Analysis**

Alc: 13,5% vol  
RS: 4.5 g/l  
TA: 6 g/l  
pH: 3.5

**Awards:**

**Top 100 2016**

Vintage: 2015  
Results: Double Gold



**Tim Atkin 2016 Report**

Vintage: 2015  
Results: 92 Points



**Tim Atkin 2017 Report**

Vintage: 2016  
Results: 92 Points



**John Platter 2017**

Vintage: 2016  
Results: 4 Stars



**Top 100 Wines 2017**

Vintage: 2016  
Results: Double Platinum



**Decanter 2017**

Vintage: 2016  
Results: Gold 95

