



## Darling Cellars Reserve "Bush Vine" Sauvignon Blanc 2015

main variety Sauvignon Blanc

vintage 2015

analysis alc: 12.70 | ph: 3.48 | rs: 2.48 | ta: 5.52

type White

producer Darling Cellars

style Dry

winemaker Pieter Niel Rossouw & Maggie Venter

taste Fruity

wine of Darling

body Light

### tasting notes

Initially a subdued bouquet opens up to aromas of nettle and an array of tropical fruit such as watermelon skin, passion fruit and pineapple. These flavours follow on the palate and are supported by a vibrant acidity that keeps the palate fresh.

### blend information

100% Sauvignon Blanc

### food suggestions

This wine will pair well with most seafood but I think will go particularly well with some of the West Coast's fresh mussels or oysters!!

### in the vineyard

The recent demarcation of the Darling district has led to a focus at Darling Cellars on wines which are terroir and varietal specific. The cool and temperate West Coast climate lends itself to a different micro- and mesoclimate which, along with the different types of soil, lead to unique grapes, which we guide into even more unique wines. Having 99% of all vineyards dry land and almost the same percentage as bush vine, this is as close to what nature intended for grapes to be as one can get.

Darling Cellars Reserve is a wine range of straight varietals where the focus is on fruit driven, varietal true, value for money wines.

**Terroir:** Vineyards strategically planted on South-West facing slopes to capture cool breezes from the Atlantic Ocean and cold Benguela current. Deep soils from decomposed granite, clay rich, with good drainage. **Vineyard type:** Bush Vine, no irrigation

### about the harvest

Yield: 6-8 ton/ha

Balling at Harvest: 21° - 22°B

### in the cellar

**Vinification:** Crush and destalk, 14 days fermentation at 13° C. Grapes and juice handled reductively to prevent oxidation and lock in fruitiness.

**Maturation:** Left on lees for 2 months to add complexity