

*Nederburg is one of South Africa's most awarded wineries, with a prize-winning pedigree that stems from a culture of innovation and disciplined attention to detail. The wines are richly fruited with bold flavours and structure, and range from exclusive, micro-edition offerings for the connoisseur to wines styled for everyday enjoyment. Multi-talented cellar-master Andrea Freeborough leads the Nederburg team of highly-skilled winemakers who work closely under her direction.*

# The Young Airhawk

## SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018

**THE RANGE** *The Heritage Heroes collection of individually named, hand-made gourmet wines, honours some of the legends who have shaped Nederburg and its history as one of South Africa's most awarded wineries. Every one of these wines has been made with a focus on originality, whether in terms of technique or choice of varietal, to offer wine lovers a greater and more nuanced spectrum of flavour.*

*The Young Airhawk, made from barrel-fermented Sauvignon blanc, remembers the son of Johann and Ilse Graue: talented young winemaker, Arnold Graue. Just like his father, he was known for his winemaking prowess. Arnold introduced various technical innovations at Nederburg and won many prizes during his career. He was also a keen young pilot, who loved to explore the wide-open skies of Africa. His legacy lives on through this wine.*

**VINEYARDS** *The grapes were sourced from selected vineyard blocks in the Darling area, each offering different facets of the varietal's character.*

**WINEMAKING** *The grapes were hand-harvested during the early hours of the morning, following a reductive winemaking process in the cellar to maintain the typicity of the varietal. The bunches were destemmed and the juice fermented in stainless-steel tanks as well as a combination of first-, second- and third-fill 300- and 500-litre oak barrels. The fermentation temperature of each barrel was monitored regularly. The wine, kept on the lees for nine months, was stirred periodically to add creaminess and complexity.*

**CELLARMASTER** *Andrea Freeborough*

**WINEMAKER** *Elmarie Botes*

**COLOUR** *Clear, light green.*

**BOUQUET** *Layers of intense green fig and lime aromas with tropical undertones and a hint of spice.*

**PALATE** *A fresh, crisp and elegant wine with notes of asparagus, minerality, lime and a creamy texture.*

**FOOD SUGGESTIONS** *Fantastic with fresh seafood as well as chicken and pasta dishes, vegetables and fresh summer salads.*

**MATURATION POTENTIAL** Five to seven years  
**RESIDUAL SUGAR** 1,97 g/l  
**ALCOHOL** 14,13%  
**TOTAL ACIDITY** 6,59 g/l  
**PH** 3,31



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