

NEETHLINGSHOF

ESTATE WINE



Ode to Nature

Pays tribute to what nature and each specific vintage offers us by bottling small lots of special and different wines that we want to share with our consumers.

RIESLING | 2018

THE VINEYARDS

The trellised Weisser Riesling vines were planted in 1986 and are established in deep red TUKULU soils on South-western slopes facing False Bay. The cooling sea breezes slow down the ripening process which results in intense concentrated flavor in the wine.

THE VINTAGE

The 2018 vintage was one of the driest vintages in many years and as a result the Riesling grapes did not develop noble rot as usual to produce The Maria Noble Late Harvest. Instead we produced a dry Riesling, the first since 1990.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were harvested by hand at 23° Balling in mid-February. Fermentation took place in stainless steel tanks.

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

Colour: Light straw colour with flashes of green

Aroma: Nectarine peaches with lime and melon

Palate: Dry, summer fruits and spice with a zesty finish

MATURATION POTENTIAL

Ready to enjoy now or within the next 5 years.

FOOD PAIRING

An ideal companion to pâtés and lightly spiced Asian dishes. Also partners well with sushi and canapes.

CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol:	13.17% by volume
Residual sugar:	3.3 g/l
Total acidity:	5.2 g/l
Total extract:	21.1 g/l
pH:	3.45
Total Sulphur:	53 ppm