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Worcester Claims TWO FNB Sauvignon Blanc Top 10 Winners

Sauvignon Blanc South Africa has revealed the winners of the 2020 Sauvignon Blanc SA Top 10 competition and this year's champion wines come from no less than seven different regions. This exciting result for South Africa's only competition exclusively devoted to Sauvignon Blanc was announced during a virtual awards event on Wednesday 14 October 2020.

The Top 10 were drawn from a broad collection of entries, with **96 producers submitting 149 wines** for the competition held with the support of FNB. A good balance was achieved with six of the winning wines from the 2019 vintage, three from the 2020 vintage, and one wine from 2018. Half of the Top 10 show a degree of oak contact that affirms the judges' opinion on the future potential for more wooded Sauvignon Blanc wines.

"This year will be remembered as a time to stand together and everyone who entered can therefore rightly be proud of their achievement," said RJ Botha, Sauvignon Blanc SA's chairman. "In these challenging times, it is a privilege to be able to celebrate South African Sauvignon Blanc worldwide as our country's top seller. We see exciting innovation in style and flavour profiles, as well as diversity in origin with three Top 10 winners from Stellenbosch, two from Elgin, and one each from Breede River, Elim, Worcester, Durbanville and Darling.

As part of this year's competition, Sauvignon Blanc SA is requesting everyone to support the industry by making a contribution to the Vinpro Foundation in support of a student in the wine industry. For more details, visit www.sauvignonblanc.com/vinprofoundation.

Wine lovers can obtain the 2020 Sauvignon Blanc SA Top 10 collection via the Wine of the Month Club, as well as at Wine Stellenbosch TOPS.



The annual Sauvignon Blanc SA Technical Seminar will be presented as vlogs on the Sauvignon Blanc SA website during November with speakers focusing on technical aspects, including information on the Top 10.

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Alvi's Drift Sauvignon Blanc Reserve 2020

Crystal clear and bright with tinges of lime green towards the meniscus. Beautiful complexity on the nose with hints of elderflowers, white peach, lemon and lime along with cut grass. The palate is well rounded, almost creamy, with silky soft tannins, backed by the fruit that follows through and in perfect balance with the crisp acidity. Long and lingering fruit with a refreshing clean lime finish.



Cilmor Limited Edition Sauvignon Blanc 2019

The wine's colour is bright with clear green tones...A herbal top note followed by expressive granadilla, elderberry, gooseberry and blackcurrant characterises the nose... All these flavours follows through on the palate with great depth of fruit and tangy acidity before a long and salty finish...

