

# Sadie Family Skerpioen

## THE FACTS

**COUNTRY:** South Africa

**REGION:** Western Cape

**APPELLATION:** Western Cape

**CEPAGE:** 100% Chenin Blanc

**WINEMAKING:** Whole bunch pressed, wild ferment, aged in foudre on lees

**ALCOHOL BY VOLUME:** 13.0%

**AGING:** 12 months in old foudres on lees, bottled unfiltered

## THE STORY

Eben Sadie is a visionary force in South African wine, known for elevating the Swartland region through his uncompromising focus on site-specific, old-vine expressions. He's led a movement away from regional blending toward vineyard-driven authenticity. His Signature Series—Columella and Palladius—are celebrated blends sourced from meticulously farmed, low-intervention sites. These wines should not only be thought of as top South African bottlings, but some of the great wines of the world.

**PHILOSOPHY:** We now farm 51 hectares, of which 24 hectares are in production from our own vineyards, and an additional 27 hectares are being rented but worked by our team. Soil health, low intervention farming, and preserving South Africa's viticultural heritage are paramount.

## THE ADJECTIVES

**OVERALL:** Coastal, saline white with purity, minerality, great balance

**AROMAS / FLAVORS:** Lime, citrus zest, ocean spray, crushed shell, chalk, dry herbs

**MOUTHFEEL:** Textured & zesty with soft acidity & a mouthwatering finish

## THE SELLING POINTS

Salty, chalk-driven field blend near the Atlantic, ageworthy

**AWARDS:** 97pts Tim Atkin

**PAIRINGS:** Ideal with oysters, ceviche, grilled prawns, or lemony vegetable dishes

