



## Mullineux Family Wines Press Comments & Ratings

### 2009

March 2009

**Jim Budd, [jimsloire.blogspot.com](http://jimsloire.blogspot.com):**

**2008 Mullineux White** – “Although still young, the white is already showing well”

**2008 Mullineux Syrah** – “Although obviously still young ... has good concentration with an attractive texture”

**2008 Mullineux Straw Wine** – “Delicious sweet wine and so good was it that it rather overshadowed the 1986 Château d’Yquem that was served afterwards.”

May 2009

**Simon Woods - Drinking Outside The Box:**

**2008 Mullineux White** - lively zesty citrus fruit...plays second fiddle to smoky, nut and ginger characters...finish has lively mineral tones...”

**2008 Mullineux Syrah** – “...a very classy wine”

June 2009

**Joanna Simon, Decanter.com:**

**Mullineux Swartland Syrah 2008** - “A very attractive, classy wine.”

August 2009

**Neal Martin, eRobertParker.com:**

**The Mullineux Family Wines White 2008** - “It marks a great debut” **92 points**

**Mullineux Family Wines Straw Wine 2008** - ““*F\*\*king hell, that’s good.*” Excuse the vernacular... Certainly “Mullineux” is a name to look out for in the future.” **96 points**

**Olly Smith - Mail Online:**

**Mullineux Family Syrah 2008** – “a genius wine... a real glimpse of South African potential. A magnificent floral, peppery, meaty and fruity trophy of glory. Glossy and powerful.”

September 2009

**Jamie Goode, The Wine Anorak:**

**Mullineux Syrah 2008** - “A brilliant first vintage.” **93/100**

**Wine Spectator:**

**Mullineux Straw Wine 2008** - Very sweet and lush, with date, maple syrup, candied orange peel and clove notes rolling through the viscous-textured palate... long, ginger- and clove-filled finish” **91 Points**

**Mullineux Syrah 2008** - Very juicy, with ripe, enticing plum and fig notes laced with a tangy sanguine streak. ...long, fleshy finish...” **90 Points**

**Mullineux White 2008** – “Soft and round, showing plump, easygoing ginger, piecrust and apple notes, with a buttery finish.” **86 Points**

November 2009:

**Platters South African Wine Guide 2010:**

**2008 Mullineux Family White Blend** 4.5 Stars.

**2008 Mullineux Family Syrah** 4.5 Stars.

**2008 Mullineux Family Straw Wine** 5 Stars

**Jancis Robinson, Financial Times:**

**Mullineux, White 2008** - "Very special wine. ...Exceptional... New South African producer to watch." **17/20**

**Mullineux 2008 White Blend and Straw Wine** – in JR's List of top 2009 wines

**Jamie Goode, The Wine Anorak:**

**Mullineux White 2008** - "...complex, fresh and herby... rich and full... **91/100**"

**Mullineux Syrah 2008** - "Really elegant; almost profound... Beautiful wine. **95/100**"

**Mullineux Straw Wine 2008** - "Complex, rich and thought-provoking. **93/100**"

## 2010

April 2010

**Fiona Sims – wineindustryinsight.com:**

**2008 Mullineux White** – "exciting"

May 2010

**Tom Cannavan – wine-pages.com:**

**2008 Mullineux White Blend** – "...fabulous weight and sense of balance and precision... a great sense of minerality running through. **91/100**"

**2009 Mullineux White Blend** – "Similar, tight, nutty nose, but more appley ... The palate has fine poise and elegance, and real freshness. **91/100**".

**2008 Mullineux Syrah** – "Lovely cool-climate Syrah, with beautiful garrigue aromas, lots of smokiness and earth, very good, ripe, rich red fruit beneath... **93/100**"

**2008 Mullineux Straw Wine** – "Lovely complex tea and orange nose ... Fine, sweet palate, with terrific purity that shimmers with lemon and honey ... richness. **93/100**."

June 2010

**Jancis Robinson – jancisrobinson.com:**

**Mullineux, Straw Wine 2009** - "Lovely balance and delightfully approachable already." **18/20**

**Mullineux Syrah 2008** – "Lots of north Rhône subtlety and refreshment factor... real finesse." **17/20**

**Mullineux White 2009** – "Stunningly refined and appealing Beautifully judged with notes of jasmine, lemon peel as well as all that minerality... will develop beautifully in bottle" **17.5/20**

July 2010

**Hugh Johnson – private correspondence:**

**Mullineux White 2008** – "A huge success; we loved its roundness, density and balance."

November 2010:

**Platters South African Wine Guide 2011:**

**2009 Mullineux White Blend** 4.5 Stars.

**2009 Mullineux Straw Wine** 4.5 Stars

**2009 Kloof Street Red** 4 Stars

**2009 Kloof Street Chenin Blanc** 4 Stars

**Miguel Chan, Southern Sun Hotels Group Sommelier, Good Times Magazine:**

**Kloof Street Chenin Blanc 2009** – “brimming with golden delicious apples, yellow limes and hints of honey and spicy nutmeg.”

**Joanna Breslin, Sommelier Journal:**

**2009 Mullineux White, 2008 Mullineux Syrah, 2009 Mullineux Straw** – “Sensational”

**Wine Spectator:**

**Mullineux Straw Wine 2009** – “Opulent, boasting thickly textured fig, date, clove, dried blood orange and persimmon notes ... long, unctuous, maple-tinged finish. “ **93 points**

**Mullineux White 2009** – “Ripe and unctuous, but well-defined, with riveting acidity that drives through the melon, creamed peach and Jonagold apple flavors. ...long finish” **92 points**

**Anthony Rose - The Independent:**

**Mullineux White 2009** – “...aromatic notes of spicy, honey and nutty oak and delicious rich peach and apricot fruit underpinned by a nutty oak layer and excellent freshness that's northern Rhône-like in its flavour profile”

December 2010

**Tim Atkin, [timatkin.com](http://timatkin.com) - Christmas wines over £10:**

**2009 Mullineux White**, “spicy, multi-dimensional blend...stunning effect...an amazing, barrel-fermented cuvee” **93 points**

**Jancisrobinson.com & FT:**

**Mullineux White 2009** – “Stunningly subtle, complex full-bodied white...”

## 2011

January 2011

**Ned Goodwin, MW, [asiancorrespondent.com](http://asiancorrespondent.com) – Wine of the Week**

**Mullineux 2009 White** - “...bristles with energy, or ‘minerality’, and is extremely easy to drink due to an impeccable balance between its ripe fruit, febrile acidity and a classy sheen of oak.” 93 points

February 2011

**Miguel Chan, Deluxe Brand Sommelier, Southern Suns – Status Quo magazine**

**Kloof Street Chenin Blanc 2009** – “...a pure expression of an old vine in harmony with nature, subtle Golden Delicious apple notes, hay and hints of honey, mouth filling but yet restrained at the same time, complex, charming and full of character.”

March 2011

**Kim Hoepfl – Woman & Home**

**Mullineux Family Wines Syrah 2008** – “...dark, powerful and sexy”

**Harry Haddon - Getaway**

**Kloof Street Red 2008** – “...brims with spicy red fruit, while good acidity helps it remain very quaffable”

**Angela Lloyd – Grape.co.za**

**Mullineux White, Mullineux Syrah** – Top 100 Wines

April 2011

**Olly Smith – Mail Online**

**Mullineux Syrah** – to serve with bbq lamb

May 2011

**James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

**Mullineux Straw Wine 2009** – 93 points

**Mullineux White 2009** – 92 points

**Mullineux Syrah 2008** – 90 points

June 2011

**Olly Smith, Daily Mail**

**Mullineux Syrah 2008** – “I’ve long been a fan of this peppery, spicy red which is packed with rich, black fruity power and layered with smoky complexity.”

August 2011

**Neal Martin, Wine Advocate**

**Mullineux Straw Wine 2010** – 94 points

**Mullineux White 2010** – 91 points

**Mullineux Syrah 2009** – 92 points

**Kloof Street Chenin Blanc 2011** – 88 points

**Kloof Street Swartland Rouge 2009** – 89 points

**Mullineux Schist Syrah 2010** – 93 points

**Mullineux Granite Syrah 2010** – 93 points “The nose reveals bright red cherries and hints of crushed violets. Fleshy red-berried fruit mixed with white pepper and a touch of Provencal herbs, finishing on an Old World note that expresses great freshness, mineralite and precision. It has immense potential. “

October 2011

**Platters South African Wine Guide 2012:**

**2010 Mullineux White Blend** 5 Stars.

**2010 Mullineux Straw Wine** 5 Stars

**2009 Mullineux Syrah** 5 Stars

**Jancis Robinson:**

**2010 Mullineux White Blend.17.5/20** – “Quite tense but deep vibrato...Dense, really opened out in the glass. Great texture.”

**2010 Mullineux Straw Wine 18/20** – “Dark straw. Thick and raisiny. Hint of rhubarb. So thick you could almost cut the syrup with scissors. Lime syrup. Thick and sweet. Very very fresh.“

**2009 Mullineux Syrah 16.5+/20** – “Relatively light and quite tart. Transparent and racy. Sinewy. Dramatically lean for SA.“

**2010 Mullineux Schist Syrah 17/20** – “Big and introvert. ... Dense. Rich. Thick and Hermitage-like.”

**2010 Mullineux Granite Syrah 18/20** – “Very pure Syrah nose. Sweet and polished and a skein of purity - all rather Côte Rôtie. Polished. Long.”

**2011 Kloof Street Chenin Blanc 17/20** – “Very rich and racy. Great stuff!”

November 2011

**Sarah Ahmed, thewinedetective.co.uk**

“Mullineux Magic – Swartland’s Granite and Schist Dream Team”

November 2011

**Platters South African Wine Guide 2011:**

**2010 Mullineux White Blend** 5 Stars.

**2010 Mullineux Straw Wine** 5 Stars

**2009 Mullineux Syrah** 5 Stars

**2009 Kloof Street Red** 4 Stars  
**2009 Kloof Street Chenin Blanc** 4 Stars

December 2011

**Victoria Moore, The Daily Telegraph**

**2010 Mullineux White Blend** – “A glorious, gently oaked, fresh white”

**Sarah Ahmed, thewinedetective.co.uk**

**2010 Mullineux Syrah Granite** – “an elegant seam of bright red berry fruits, ever so gently buffed by fine grained tannins. Just lovely – so elegant”

**2010 Mullineux Syrah Schist** – “A darker, earthier nose is more animal and savoury with bay leaf and lurking oak (smoky bacon). In the mouth, it's firmer in tannin with darker, denser layers of fruit and good length and intensity”

## 2012

February 2012

**Wine Spectator Insider - Most Exciting New Wines**

**2010 Mullineux Straw Wine** – **92 points**. “This is gorgeous, with date, persimmon, guava and lychee flavors all framed by a dried orange peel note. Unctuous and fleshy on the finish, but with a mouthwatering edge.”

May 2012

**Olly Smith - MailOnline**

**2010 Mullineux White** – “ripples with stylish citrus-peel aromas and has a textured, snappy palate laced with a lick of funk”

**2010 Granite Syrah** – “beautiful ...reminds me of Cornas turned up to 11”

**Wine Spectator**

**2011 Kloof Street Chenin Blanc** - **85 points**

**2009 Kloof Street Swartland Rouge** - **89 points**

**2010 Mullineux Straw Wine 2010** - **92 points**

**2010 Mullineux White** - **90 points**

**2009 Mullineux Syrah** - **91 points**

July 2012

**Donald Winkler, International Wine Review:**

“The **Mullineux White Blend** is in a class by itself, as is the unctuous, sweet **Straw Wine**.”

**Eric Asimov, New York Times:**

**Mullineux White 2010** – “exuberant fruitiness...structure ...a real sense of place”

August 2012

**Jamie Goode, Wine Anorak:**

**Mullineux Granite Syrah 2010** - “lively and spicy with meaty berry fruits...Lovely freshness, precision and perfume... 94/100”

**Mullineux Schist Syrah 2010** – “rich, bold and intense with lovely black fruits and a fine spicy finish. Nice density and structure...93/100”

September 2012

**Sarah Ahmed, Decanter:**

**Mullineux White 2010** – “Ripe apricot, spiced poached pear and a tight citrus backbone...**93/100**”

October 2012

**David Williams, The Observer:**

**Mullineux Syrah 2010** – “One of the most impressive of the Cape new wave is Mullineux, and this is a stunning red by any measure...”

November 2012:

**Platters South African Wine Guide 2013:**

**2010 Mullineux Schist Syrah** 5 Stars

**2010 Mullineux Granite Syrah** 4.5 Stars

**2011 Mullineux White Blend** 4.5 Stars.

**2010 Mullineux Syrah** 5 Stars, “Red Wine of the Year”

**2011 Mullineux Straw Wine** 5 Stars

**2011 Kloof Street Rouge** 4 Stars

**2012 Kloof Street Chenin Blanc** 4 Stars

**Matthew Jukes, Money Week:**

**2010 Mullineux Syrah** – “...spectacular Syrah ... among the most invigorating and rewarding red wines of the year... with a more grandeur and nobility, pound for pound, than any French version! You must track this wine down.”

**2010 Mullineux Schist Syrah – 19+/20 - & Granite -** “incredible wines”

**Jancis Robinson, Purple Pages:**

**2010 Mullineux Syrah – 17/20** “...Lots of life here. Racy finish...there is great integrity here.”

**2011 Mullineux Straw – 17.5/20** “...Super rich but glorious.”

**Wine Spectator:**

**2010 Mullineux Schist Syrah – 92 Points**

**2010 Mullineux Granite Syrah –93 Points**

December 2012:

**Fiona McDonald, Decanter:**

**2011 Kloof Street Rouge – 17/20 / 90 points**

**Jancis Robins, Financial Times**

**2011 Mullineux Straw** – “Super-rich but glorious”

## 2013

January 2013:

**Anthony Rose, The Independent**

**2009 Mullineux Syrah** - “...wonderful purity of blackberry fruit”

March 2013:

**Tina Gellie , Decanter:**

**2011 Mullineux White 95/100** - Textural, fresh, bright fruit.

April 2013

**Christian Eedes, What I Drank Last Night blog**

**2012 Mullineux White 93/100** - "Great concentration matched by tangy acidity. "

**2011 Mullineux Syrah 91/100**

**2012 Mullineux Straw 90/100**

**Matthew Jukes, Daily Mail "5 Superb and uniquely beautiful wines"**

**2011 Kloof Street Rouge** - "Mullineux was my top south African estate of last year..."

May 2013

**Wine Enthusiast:**

**2009 Mullineux Syrah - 90 points**

**Julia Harding, JancisRobinson.com** (Young Guns tasting report)

**2011 Mullineux White 17/20** - "A wine to spend the evening with, not a speed date."

**2010 Mullineux Syrah 17+/20** - "All so restrained and elegant. Definitely northern Rhône in style"

**2011 Kloof Street Rouge 16.5/20** - "This is what good value red should be: a harmonious blend of dark fruit, freshness and fine tannins. No overoaking, only finesse, harmony and freshness. \*VGV\*"

**Victoria Moore, The Daily Telegraph**

**2011 Kloof Street Rouge** - "Really superb stuff"

**Stephen Tanzer Report - "The Best New Wines from South Africa"**

**2012 Kloof Street Chenin Blanc 89**

**2011 Kloof Street Rouge 88**

**2011 Mullineux White 92**

**2010 Mullineux Syrah 92+**

**2010 Mullineux Granite Syrah 91+**

**2010 Mullineux Schist Syrah 92+**

**Tim Atkin South Africa Report 2013**

**2011 Mullineux Clairette Blanche - 92/100** - "light, yet complex with mealy, honeysuckle-like flavours and a bone dry aftertaste"

**2010 Mullineux Granite Syrah - 95/100** - "No one is making better Cape Syrahs right now. "

**2010 Mullineux Schist Syrah - 96/100** - "sets a new benchmark for Cape Syrah."

**2011 Mullineux Straw Wine - 95/100** - "Everything the Mullineux touch seems to turn to gold. "

**2010 Mullineux Syrah - 95/100** - "a very complex, finely crafted Syrah. "

**2011 Mullineux White - 94/100** - "remarkably fresh and zesty, with citrus fruit, some spice and an exotic undertone. "

August 2013

**Tim Atkin, Decanter**

"Six Producers to Watch" - "Quality is uniformly impressive and has established the brand as a Cape first growth..."

**2010 Mullineux Syrah - 95/100** - "Atkin's Top Swartland Wines"

**Jancis Robinson, JancisRobinson.com**

**2011 Mullineux Syrah - 16.5** - "Pure and sinewy with great muscles and purity"

**2011 Kloof Street Rouge - 16** - Gentle, delicate, more transparent with juicier fruit than most Cotes du Rhones"

**2012 Mullineux White - 17.5** - "Broad and tangy and complete...Deep and rich and concentrated"



## September 2013

### **James Molesworth, Wine Spectator**

**2011 Mullineux Syrah – 91points - “Daily Wine Picks”**

### **Matt Day – Fiona Beckett, Matching Food & Wine**

**2011 Mullineux Syrah – “...quite simply a brilliant wine”**

## November 2013

### **Platters South African Wine Guide 2014:**

**“Winery of the Year”**

**2011 Mullineux Schist Syrah 5 Stars**

**2011 Mullineux Granite Syrah 5 Stars**

**2012 Mullineux Schist Chenin 5 Stars**

**2012 Mullineux White Blend 4.5 Stars.**

**2011 Mullineux Syrah 4.5 Stars**

**2012 Mullineux Straw Wine 5 Stars**

**2012 Kloof Street Rouge 4 Stars**

**2013 Kloof Street Chenin Blanc 3.5 Stars**

### **Neal Martin, Wine Advocate**

**Mullineux Straw Wine 2011 – 97 points**

**Mullineux Straw Wine 2012 – 92 points**

**Mullineux White 2012 – 91 points**

**Mullineux Syrah 2011 – 92 points**

**Kloof Street Chenin Blanc 2013 – 86 points**

**Kloof Street Swartland Rouge 2012 – 90 points**

**Mullineux Schist Syrah 2010 – 93 points**

**Mullineux Granite Syrah 2010 – 92 points**

**Mullineux Schist Syrah 2011 – 94 points**

**Mullineux Granite Syrah 2011 – 95 points**

**Mullineux Schist Chenin 2012 – 92 points**

### **Wine & Spirits Magazine**

**Mullineux White 2012 – 90 points**

**Mullineux Syrah 2011 – 93 points**

### **Victoria Moore – The Telegraph - “The Best Wines for Christmas 2013”**

**Mullineux Syrah 2011 – “Astonishing for the price...Perfectly poised”**

## December 2013

### **JancisRobinson.com - “Top holiday wines”**

**Mullineux, Straw Wine 2012 - “Plump, round and peachy. There is so much intensity, complexity and rich nutty flavours - but masses of acidity too “**

## 2014

## January 2014



## **Wine Enthusiast**

**Mullineux Schist Syrah 2010** – 93 points

**Mullineux Granite Syrah 2010** – 92 points

**Mullineux Syrah 2010** – 89 points

## **April 2014**

### **Susy Atkins - Telegraph**

**Mullineux Syrah 2011** – “Top-notch, cleverly crafted”

## **June 2014**

### **Rosemary George MW – Blog**

**Mullineux Syrah 2012** – “...a stunning example of the growing success of southern varieties in the Cape”

### **Jamie Goode – The Sunday Express**

**Mullineux Syrah 2012** – “...rich but balanced...simply fabulous”

## **July 2014**

### **James Molesworth – Wine Spectator**

**Kloof Street Rouge 2012** – 89 points

**Mullineux White 2012** – 89 points

**Mullineux Syrah 2011** – 91 points

### **Tim Atkin – South Africa Report 2014**

**2012 Mullineux Granite Syrah** – 95/100

**2012 Mullineux Schist Syrah** – 96/100

**2012 Mullineux Iron Syrah** – 94/100

**2012 Schist Chenin** – 94/100

**2012 Mullineux Straw Wine** – 96/100

**2012 Mullineux Syrah** – 95/100

**2012 Mullineux White** – 95/100

**2012 Kloof Street Rouge** – 89/100

**2013 Kloof Street Chenin** – 89/100

### **Jancis Robinson – Purple Pages**

**2012 Mullineux White** – 18. “Muted, lively, very fine and subtle. Long and beautifully balanced.”

**2011 Mullineux Syrah** – 17. “...very convincing....Admirable!”

**2012 Mullineux Straw Wine** – 17.5. “SO much better than Vin de Constance! Peachy and toffee and gorgeous ... Wonderful.”

## **August 2014**

### **Victoria Moore – The Telegraph**

**2012 Mullineux Syrah** – “Superb, chiselled, classy stuff,”

## **September 2014**

### **Wine Enthusiast Magazine – “5 Revolutionary Winemakers of Swartland”**

Chris & Andrea Mullineux – The Dynamic Duo

## **November 2014**

### **Platters South African Wine Guide 2015:**

**2011 Mullineux Schist Syrah** 4.5 Stars  
**2011 Mullineux Granite Syrah** 4.5 Stars  
**2012 Mullineux Schist Chenin** 4.5 Stars  
**2012 Mullineux White Blend** 4.5 Stars.  
**2011 Mullineux Syrah** 4.5 Stars  
**2012 Mullineux Straw Wine** 5 Stars  
**2012 Kloof Street Rouge** 4 Stars  
**2013 Kloof Street Chenin Blanc** 4 Stars

### **Neal Martin, Wine Advocate**

**Mullineux Straw Wine 2011** – 97 points  
**Mullineux Straw Wine 2012** – 92 points  
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**Mullineux Schist Chenin 2012** – 92 points

## **2015**

### **July 2015**

#### **Tim Atkin – South Africa Report 2015**

**2013 Mullineux Schist Syrah** – 96/100  
**2013 Mullineux Iron Syrah** – 95/100  
**2014 Schist Chenin** – 92/100  
**2014 Quartz Chenin** – 93/100  
**2014 Mullineux Granite Chenin** – 93/100  
**Mullineux Olerasay Straw Wine** – 96/100  
**2013 Mullineux Syrah** – 93/100  
**2013 Mullineux White** – 93/100  
**2013 Kloof Street Rouge** –  
**2014 Kloof Street Chenin** –