



Kasteelberg

WINE OF ORIGIN SWARTLAND

CHENIN BLANC 2017

Limited release, single-vineyard Chenin Blanc from hand-selected grapes from the foothills of the majestic Kasteelberg Mountain, Kasteelberg Chenin Blanc embodies excellent craftsmanship that transforms the harsh Swartland terroir into the pinnacle of our winemakers' art.

Varietals: 100% Chenin Blanc

Production: 180 cases / 1 080 bottles

Wine of Origin: Swartland

Technical Details: Alc 12.85 % • RS 1.6 g/l • TA 6.3 g/l • pH 3.45

Source of Grapes: The wine is sustainably crafted from the best block of a dry-land, old, bush-vine vineyard, on the foothills of the Kasteelberg Mountain.

Yields: Between 6 to 8 tons/ha

Winemaking & Maturation:

Once harvested, the grapes are hand-sorted, de-stemmed & crushed into temperature-controlled gravitational drainers. Only the free-run juice is chilled and settled overnight. The juice is then racked off into new, 300 L, oak barrels (50% French oak, 50% Hungarian oak) and wild yeast fermented in the barrels. Fermentation is temperature controlled and lasted around 22 days. The wine is then matured in the oak barrel on the gross lees for 12 months before being racked off, filtered and bottled. After bottling the wine is further bottle-matured for at least 6 months before release.

Tasting Note:

Together with the age-old tradition of Dry Land viticulture, it resulted in an elegant, aromatic and richly textured wine, with characteristics typical to Chenin Blanc grown under these conditions. Citrus, lemon zest, ripe apple and tropical flavours are only some of the flavours that charm the nose. The palate follows through with flavours of melon, a touch of spice and well-integrated wood for exceptional balance and a luxurious, lingering finish.

Best served at 10 to 12 °C, this wine will develop in complexity over the next 3 to 5 years.



PINNACLE OF OUR WINEMAKERS' ART

The Kasteelberg range celebrates the discovery of the Kasteelberg mountains in 1661. Kasteelberg stands sentinel over the fertile valley below.