

KWV Lifestyle Chardonnay 2007

This easy drinking white wine has been subtly oaked to enhance its rich, tropical fruit and citrus flavours.

Serve chilled. Enjoy this wine on its own or with chicken, fish and lightly spiced dishes.

variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

winery : KWV Classic Collection

winemaker : The Winemaking Team

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : alc : 14 % vol rs : 2.26 g/l pH : 3.52 ta : 5.65 g/l

type : White **taste :** Fruity **wooded**

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

in the vineyard : Severe warm weather experienced during January resulted in an earlier than usual start to the harvest. These conditions lasted well into the second week of February and lead to rapidly rising sugar levels. From February 8 temperatures declined and subsequently the sugars dropped and harvesting of white and red grapes slowed considerably. Due to the cooler conditions sugar levels increased very slowly whilst grape flavours developed noticeably. The ripening conditions were close to perfect for the tail-end of the crop.

ABOUT THE AREA

South Africa's vineyards are mostly situated in the Western Cape near the coast. This is the southernmost region of the African continent, and has a Mediterranean type climate and diverse soils perfectly suited to quality grape production.

about the harvest: Grapes were harvested from the mid-February till mid-March.

in the cellar : Specially chosen grapes were destalked, crushed and then inoculated. The juice fermented on wood staves in stainless steel tanks. After 3 months of maturation the wine was blended and bottled.

