

KWV Classic Collection Cape Full Cream

This full sweet dessert wine has orange zest, dried fruit, oral aromas, honey and red bush tea flavours on the nose. The fruit is complemented by marzipan and caramel on the soft, juicy palate with a lingering, nutty persistence.

Serve at room temperature as an aperitif or as an after dinner drink with cheese.

variety : Chenin Blanc | Chenin Blanc and Colombard
winery : KWV Classic Collection
winemaker : The Winemaking Team
wine of origin : Western Cape
analysis : alc : 17.20 % vol rs : 134.65 g/l pH : 3.39 ta : 5.20 g/l
type : Dessert style : Sweet body : Full taste : Fruity wooded
pack : Bottle closure : Cork

Veritas Wine Awards 2013 - Silver
Veritas Wine Awards 2012 - Gold
Old Mutual Trophy Wine Show - Silver
Decanter World Wine Awards 2012 - Commended

in the vineyard : 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 with diverse soils, making it perfectly suited for the production of quality wines.

in the cellar : Winemaking

Neutral base wine was produced from Chenin Blanc and Colombard grapes and partially fortified with neutral wine spirits. Following inoculation with a yeast, it was left for 12 months before being introduced into the Solera system for maturation. In preparation for bottling the wine was blended with sweet Jerepigo to achieve the desired sugar level.

Maturation: 1 year in 500 litre barrels and 5 - 6 years in 1 800 litre barrels in the Solera system.

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Footnotes

Solera system: The Solera system is a very old traditional method for the making of sherry and aims to ensure a consistency of product. It involves the use of barrels for maturation and each year a percentage of between 10% - 30% is removed for bottling. This allows the barrel to be topped up with wine that has freshly come off flor.

Flor Yeast: A film of yeast on the surface of wine protecting the wine from oxidation and converting wine acid into aldehydes, the typical flavour of sherry products.

Sherry: A fortified wine made from white grapes produced from an area in Spain near the town of Jerez. Only sherry from this region (sherry triangle) is allowed to be labeled as sherry. Being respectful of the regions of the world, the word "Cape" is added to indicate a wine made in the traditional sherry style.



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