

## Zalze Chenin Blanc Bush Vines 2009

Strong guava combined with ripe pineapples and peach aromas show on the nose and follow through to the palate. They are complemented by a long, clean, crisp aftertaste.

This wine can be enjoyed with seafood such as prawns, crayfish and also green salads. It will also complement a variety of white meat dishes.

**variety :** Chenin Blanc | 100% Chenin Blanc

**winery :** Kleine Zalze Wines

**winemaker :** Johan Joubert

**wine of origin :** Stellenbosch

**analysis :** alc : 14.0 % vol    rs : 3.0 g/l    pH : 3.4    ta : 6.0 g/l

**type :** White

**pack :** Bottle    **closure :** Cork

2009 SurePure Chenin Blanc Challenge - 4 stars

2008 Juliet Cullinan Awards - Gold Medal

**ageing :** This medium full style Chenin Blanc will mature for up to two years in the bottle.

**in the vineyard :** The grapes were harvested from low yield-bearing bush vines (approx. 6 tons/ha) from low altitude southwest facing slopes in the Helderberg region. The blocks were divided in two sections and the canopy was left unsuckered on the area which was harvested later. Deep red soils with superb water retention led to good root development, providing optimal moisture supply to the vines during the summer ripening period.

**about the harvest:** The grapes were harvested separately at sugar levels of 22 and 23°B early in the morning and immediately cooled down to 12°C.

**in the cellar :** Extended skin contact on both blending components followed and after a settling period, the wine was cold fermented and left on the lees for three months. 60% of the rich and riper, slightly botrytis style were blended with 30% of the fresh and fruitier, earlier harvested wine.



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