

Drostdy Hof Chardonnay 2008 (International)

Colour: Light straw colour with green tinges

Bouquet: Citrus and lime with apricot and tropical fruit, supported by a toasty finish

Taste: Rich and smooth with well integrated fruit and a hint of wood spices

The winemaker says it is a very versatile wine that can be enjoyed on its own or with fish, white meats and salads.

variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

winery : Drostdy-Hof Wines

winemaker : Pieter Badenhorst

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : **alc** : 13.49 % vol **rs** : 4.15 g/l **pH** : 3.6 **ta** : 5.6 g/l

type : White

pack : Bottle **closure** : Cork

in the vineyard : (Viticulturist: Bennie Liebenberg)

The grapes were sourced from well-established, premier vineyards in the Stellenbosch, Malmesbury and Robertson areas. These trellised vines were planted between 100-250m above sea level, and in the case of Stellenbosch, face south to south-west to take advantage of maritime winds. The vineyards are not irrigated, allowing controlled water stress to limit the yield and intensify the flavour.

about the harvest:

The winemaking (winemaker: Pieter Badenhorst)

The grapes were all harvested by hand from mid-February to early March at between 22,5° and 24° Balling.

in the cellar :

They received no skin contact. The wine was fermented in stainless steel tanks, on oak chips for six months and stirred every 2 weeks.