

De Wetshof Bon Vallon Chardonnay 2000

An unwooded Chardonnay matured on the lees, producing a fresh, lemony flavoured wine with a yeasty nutty aftertaste.

variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

winery :

winemaker : Danie de Wet

wine of origin : Breede River

analysis : **alc** : 13.5 % vol **rs** : 5.8 g/l **pH** : 3.14 **ta** : 8.4 g/l

type : White

pack : Bottle

International Wine & Spirits Competition 2001 - Silver Medal

Le Grand Jury International Des Vins - 3 Stars

Veritas 2000 - Silver



ageing : 2 years.

in the vineyard : Climate

Winter rainfall approximately 300mm per annum. Summer afternoons are fanned by a cool breeze from the Agulhas Coast. Nights are chilly and mist often shrouds the vineyards until late morning during high summer.

Irrigation

The vineyards are scientifically irrigated with the aid of a fully computerised irrigation system. Thanks to the most modern technology, irrigation on De Wetshof has been truned into an asset promoting the quality of the grapes.

Soils

The gravelly loils are extremely rich in lime with a very high pH - similar to soils of the leading wine growing regions in the world.

Rainfall

Robertson is a winter rainfall area with approximately 300mm per annum.

Pest Control

Due to a very dry climate, spraying is minimal compared to other wine growing regions.

in the cellar : Winemaking methods

Danie de Wet adjusts his methods of winemaking from year to year, according to weather conditions and grape quality, in the belief that wine is made in the vineyard and not in the cellar.

Cooper

French oak barrels for De Wetshof are specially selected from specific coopers to enhance the quality of the fruit.