

Welmoed Chardonnay 2011

Pale straw colour. Lively tropical aromas of citrus, lime and orange blossoms, palate shows good concentration with a lingering finish. Slight oak treatment which complements the easy drinking, fruit-driven style.

Serve with tuna sashimi, Kingklip, or a variety of chicken dishes.

variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

winery : Welmoed Winery

winemaker : Bernard Claassen

wine of origin : Western Cape

analysis : alc : 13.5 % vol rs : 3.80 g/l pH : 3.35 ta : 6.2 g/l

type : White style : Dry body : Medium taste : Fragrant wooded

pack : Bottle closure : Screwcap

ageing : Enjoy now or within the next 2 years.

in the vineyard : Grapes sourced from the Stellenbosch and Robertson regions.

Selection of premium vineyards prior to the harvest season. Mediterranean climate of Stellenbosch as well as the warmer areas of the Robertson valley with loamy clay soil types. Vines are all trellised on 5 wire hedge system.

about the harvest: Fruit is harvested at optimum ripeness, 22° - 24° B.

in the cellar : After harvesting the grapes had a short time of skin contact and two days of settling before the start of primary fermentation. Fermentation takes place, partly in stainless steel tanks on 1 g/l of French oak staves or unoaked, and 300-litre French oak barrel at temperatures ranging from 14° - 16° C. No malolactic fermentation is allowed.

