

Tormentoso Old Vine Chenin Blanc 2011

Intense aromas of apricots and canned white peaches with touches of coconut cream. The palate is packed with ripe yellow fruit and other tropical flavours, with balanced, refreshing acidity and a long mineral finish.

variety : Chenin Blanc | 100% Chenin Blanc

winery : MAN Family Wines

winemaker :

wine of origin : Paarl

analysis: alc : 13.5 % vol rs : 1.8 g/l pH : 3.3 ta : 6.3 g/l

type : White **style** : Dry

pack : Bottle **closure** : Screwcap

in the vineyard : Grape Source: 100% from one dry-farmed, un-trellised bush vine; vineyard planted in 1977 in Perdeberg region
Vineyard info: 6.73 ha, 2654 vines/ha
Grapes were from bush vine vineyards on Malmesbury shale soils.

about the harvest: The 2011 vintage in the Agter-Paarl region was a dry vintage, with virtually no rain throughout the growing season. Strong winds in November 2010 led to a smaller crop than average, and early heat in January 2011 caused faster ripening for a very early harvest. Overall the whites were very aromatic and showed typical varietal characteristics.

Grapes were hand-harvested.

in the cellar : 40% of the wine was fermented in new 225L oak barrels and matured for 5 months on the lees; stirring for the first couple of months added richness and structure to the wine. Remaining 60% was fermented at 13 - 14°C in stainless steel tanks using selected wine yeasts to maintain fermentation aromas. Fined and filtered before bottling with screwcap closures.

Production: 1933 x 6 x 750ml

