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Villiera Inspiration 2000

This botrytis infected noble late harvest Chenin Blanc has a brilliant golden appearance. It is intensely fragrant with hints of honey, raisins, marmalade and nuts penetrating the aroma. On the palate it is rich and sweet, but with sufficient acid to balance and it lingers forever.

variety : Chenin Blanc | 100% Chenin Blanc
winery : Villiera Wines
winemaker : Jeff Grier, Anton Smal
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 13 % vol **rs :** 140 g/l **pH :** 3.9 **ta :** 9.1 g/l
type : Dessert **style :** Sweet **body :** Full
pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

PREVIOUS AWARDS
- **2000**: Basel Wine Fair (Switzerland) - Gold Medal
- WINPAC (Hong Kong) - Gold Medal
- John PLATTER Wine Guide - 4 Stars
- Michelangelo International Awards - Silver Medal
- SA Young Wine Show - Class Winner
- WINE Magazine - 4 Stars
- Veritas Awards - Silver Medal

ageing : This wine will benefit from many years of maturation in the bottle.

about the harvest: Trained pickers hand select the botrytis infected berries exclusively.

in the cellar : After winning the Wine Magazine Chenin Blanc Challenge in 1999, Villieras winemakers, Jeff Grier and Anton Smal, snapped up the opportunity to visit the spiritual home of Chenin Blanc, Frances Loire Valley. Many great Chenin Blancs were discovered and enjoyed but it soon dawned upon the group that Chenin Blanc achieves perfection as a noble late harvest. As a result, Jeff and Anton were inspired to create a noble late harvest from Chenin Blanc in 2000. Since then the wine has become a regular fixture in the range.

After a long sticky day buckets of furry looking raisins reach the cellar and are deposited into a tank press where they are soaked overnight. After pressing the next morning, the juice is clarified by settling and then fermented in a combination of new and used French Oak barrels.

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