

Delheim Chardonnay Sur Lie 2012

285Light straw in colour with a fresh green hue. Citrus, stone fruit and mineral notes show on the nose that follow through on the subtle but well structured palate.

Elegant and well-balanced, with the potential to develop beautifully in the bottle. $\label{eq:continuous}$

variety: Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

winery: Delheim Wine Estatewinemaker: Reg Holderwine of origin: Stellenbosch

analysis: alc:13.00 % vol rs:2.87 g/l pH:3.34 ta:5.93 g/l type:White style:Dry body:Medium taste:Fruity wooded

pack : Bottle size : 0 closure : Cork

ageing: Drink now or keep for four to five years.

in the vineyard: Vines planted in 1989 in Clovelly soil at 420 metres above sea level on the south-western slopes of the Simonsberg mountain. Clones used were Davis 3 and Davis 5 on Richter 110. The average yield was 3.5 tons/ha.

Origin

Simonsberg ward, Stellenbosch, South Africa

about the harvest: Grapes were hand-picked.

in the cellar: After the hand-picked grapes were pressed whole bunch. The juice was left overnight for a course settling. Racked to barrel, and left to ferment wild.

The wine spent 10months on the lees in a combination of 225L and 500L French oak barrels of which 27% were new. Battonage was only done for the first 6 weeks after fermentation. Some of the barrels went through malolactic fermentation, but it was not monitored



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