

## Raats Chenin Blanc 2000

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**No Wooded Raats Chenin Blanc was produced in 2001. A Wooded Raats 2002 Vintage will be made.**

Full, richly concentrated wine showing pineapple and yellow apple flavours with a complex hint of butterscotch.

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**variety :** Chenin Blanc | Chenin Blanc

**winery :** Raats Family Wines

**winemaker :** Bruwer and Jasper Raats

**wine of origin :**

**analysis :** alc : 14.0 % vol

**type :** White

**pack :** Bottle **size :** 0 **closure :** Cork

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**ageing :**

Best after 2 to 4 years.

**in the vineyard :**

Soils are sandy loam over a gravel and clay layer. Southwest slopes are situated on the Bottelary Hills near Kuils River in the Stellenbosch region. Cool temperatures are ensured with a location just 5km from False Bay, where the Atlantic meets the Indian Ocean. This 25 to 34-year-old vineyard rests on a low trellis system.

**about the harvest:**

After severe pruning to ensure a minimum crop, the grapes were thinned out before harvest to remove any unripe or malformed bunches. The crop was harvested ripe at high sugar levels.

**in the cellar :**

After clarification, one portion of the juice was fermented in barrel while another was tank-fermented in stainless steel. The 25% that was fermented and matured in 100% new French barrels, was blended with the remaining wine before bottling.

There were 380 6 - bottle cases of Raats Chenin Blanc 2000. This wine is sold out. Future vintages (from 2002) will include both a wooded Raats Chenin Blanc and an unwooded Raats Original Chenin Blanc.