

## Drostdy Hof Stein Select NV

Colour: Pale straw.

Bouquet: A harmonious, semi-sweet balance with a delicate nose.

Palate: Prominent fruitiness reflecting the flavours of the fully-ripened grapes.

Complements a variety of dishes, including spicy foods, mature cheeses and fruity desserts.

**variety** : Colombard | Colombard, Chenin Blanc

**winery** : Drostdy-Hof Wines

**winemaker** : Michael Bucholz

**wine of origin** : Western Cape

**analysis** : alc : 11.5 % vol   rs : 17.5 g/l   pH : 3.38   ta : 6.0 g/l

**type** : White   **style** : Semi Sweet   **taste** : Fruity

**pack** : Bottle   **size** : 750ml   **closure** : Cork

### Background

The first settlers at the Cape to arrive from Europe came from The Netherlands in 1652 under the auspices of the Dutch East India Company. As farmers began moving away from the more settled areas of Cape Town and Stellenbosch during the 18th and 19th centuries, local courts were established in newer towns to maintain links with the chief governing authorities. The district of Tulbagh, about 120 kms from Cape Town, was established in 1804.

The home (drostdy) and seat of local government for Tulbagh was designed in the Cape Dutch style by renowned architect, Louis-Michel Thibault and completed in 1806. Regarded as one of his finest works, the magistrate/governor's residence also served as the courthouse (hof) from 1806 to 1822.

Today, De Oude Drostdy, as the building is known, houses a small and very popular museum with very fine examples of Cape Dutch furniture. It is also the home of Drostdy-Hof wines.

### in the vineyard : Viticulturist: Annelie Viljoen

The grapes for this wine were sourced from selected vineyards throughout the Western Cape.

**about the harvest**: Harvesting, both by hand and machine, took place during February and March.

### in the cellar :

Standard winemaking practices were followed to produce a lively, fruity wine that is sweetened with natural grape juice before bottling.

