

## Diemersdal Chardonnay Reserve 2014

The Reserve Chardonnay has a complex character with a pale straw colour. On the nose, notes of barrel fermentation, vanilla and crème caramel come forward, integrating gently with aromas of tropical exotic fruit. The mouth feel is rich and buttery, ending in a wine with beautiful extraction of fruit and elegant acidity that brightens the palate.

Cream-based dishes, crayfish and lemon butter prawns.

**variety** : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

**winery** : Diemersdal Estate

**winemaker** : Thys Louw, Mari van der Merwe

**wine of origin** : Durbanville

**analysis** : alc : 14.15 % vol    rs : 2.9 g/l    pH : 3.64    ta : 5.4 g/l

**type** : White    **style** : Dry    **taste** : Fruity    **wooded**

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

2013 vintage: Gold - Veritas '13

2012: Gold - Veritas Wine Awards 2013

2009: 4½ Stars - John Platter Wine Guide 2010

2005: Gold Medal - Michelangelo Wine Awards 2006

**in the vineyard** : Terrior

Slope: South-East-facing slopes

Soil: Scali and Hutton

Climate: Moderate with cooling sea breezes from the Atlantic Ocean

Viticulture

Trellising: 4 wire Perold

Age of vines: 26 years

Irrigation: Dry-land conditions

**about the harvest**: The grapes were handpicked at full phenolic ripeness.

Yield: 5 t/ha

**in the cellar** : Crushed and de-stemmed. Pressed and pumped into new 228L French Oak barrels. Natural alcoholic fermentation in the barrels.

Maturation: 9 months, 20% oak maturation in 1st fill and 80% 2nd and 3rd filled 228L French Oak. The wine was aged sur lie (on the lees) and stirred up once a week to enhance mouth feel and concentration.



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