

Earthbound Organic Chenin Blanc 2017

Colour: Light gold.

Bouquet: Citrus notes, orange blossoms, lime, marmalade, and yellow fruit salad

Palate: Refreshing, fruit driven and smooth with lingering aftertaste

Enjoy with grilled chicken or seafood dishes such as crayfish, crab or prawns and oysters. Sushi, avocado tartare, mild cheeses - brie. Pork belly with vegetables especially butternut, or with grilled snoek.

variety : Chenin Blanc | 100% Chenin Blanc

winery : Earthbound Organic Wines - CLOSED

winemaker : Heinrich Kulsen

wine of origin : Darling

analysis : alc : 13.5 % vol rs : 1.69 g/l pH : 3.5 ta : 6.0 g/l

type : White **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity

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

What does Organic mean?

The grapes for this wine come from Papkuilsfontein Vineyards, a farm near Darling. The vines were certified as organic by Lacon GmbH.

Lacon GmbH, having locations in Germany, Austria, Eastern Europe, Asia and Africa, offers a wide variety of certifications in the fields of farming and food processing. The entire food-chain, from seeds and feed up to the final product reaching the consumer, is put to test. Lacon certifies companies operating globally as well as small producers and farmers. Distinguished references and national and international accreditations (DAKKS, BMWFJ, USDA, APEDA etc.) are proof of Lacon's competence.

What does Fairtrade-accredited mean?

For every ton of grapes harvested for this wine, a premium is paid that goes towards projects intended to benefit workers on the farm, Papkuilsfontein Vineyards, near Darling. A joint body, representing the workers decides on how premiums will be spent. To date premiums have been directed towards computer facilities, as well as appliances for the recreation room. The building of a community hall is in the final stage of planning.

Background

Earthbound Wines are born of harmony between man and nature and this principle applies to every aspect of the winemaking process and beyond. Our vines are planted and maintained in line with ecological and sustainable farming practices and are certified as organic by Lacon and our commitment to the earth and the people who make our wines doesn't end with the harvest. All our wines are Fairtrade and WIETA accredited meaning we look after the people who produce our wines. At Earthbound we truly believe that what is good for the earth is good for its people, and vice versa.

in the vineyard : The deep, red Tukululu soils of Papkuilsfontein situated just 25km from the sea, have an excellent capacity to retain water. The cooling Atlantic Ocean breezes and a protective range of hillocks, create an optimal micro climate for excellent growing conditions and ripening of the grapes. The farm also has an above-average rainfall of just under 570 mm for the West Coast.

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested by hand at 23.5° to 24.7° Balling at the end of January and early February.

The bush vines harvested for this wine were planted in 1994 and yielded around 5 tons/ha.



in the cellar : The juice was fermented in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks. After fermentation the wine was racked off its gross lees and then stabilised and bottled.