

Boschendal Chardonnay 1998

A fresh, lively wine, redolent of tropical fruit, with traces of honey. The hints of citrus are typical of Chardonnays grown on Boschendal. The wine evolves with the nutty flavour treasured by Chardonnay lovers. An ideal complement to asparagus, seafood and white meats.

variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay

winery : Boschendal Estate

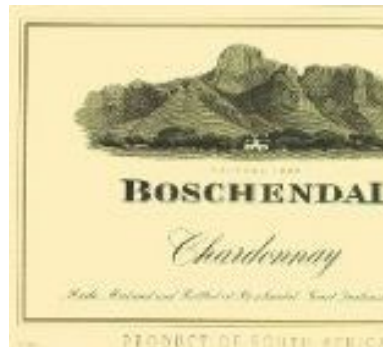
winemaker : JC Bekker

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : alc : 13.96 % vol rs : 3.1 g/l pH : 3.12 ta : 7.0 g/l

type : White

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork



in the cellar : Viticultural Details

100% Chardonnay from vineyards between nine and ten years old.

Vineyard Management

Spur pruning and the removal of unnecessary shoots left only the two to three best-developed shoots per spur. Two weeks before harvest, leaves were removed between bunches within the canopy, taking care that no grapes were exposed to direct sun in the process. This resulted in improved aeration in the bunch zone, ensuring the retention of flavours in the berries.

Harvest

All grapes were hand-picked.

Vinification

40% of the wine was fermented and matured in stainless steel tanks and the remainder in 1st-, 2nd- and 3rd-fill barriques. This portion was kept on the primary lees for eight months. In order to preserve varietal fruit flavours, the wine did not undergo malolactic fermentation.

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