

Kleine Zalze Vineyard Selection Barrel Fermented Chenin Blanc 2019

Tight with flavours of melon, peach, guava and a hint of minerality. Masterly oaked with a lively crisp finish.

variety : Chenin Blanc | 100% Chenin Blanc

winery : Kleine Zalze Wines

winemaker : RJ Botha

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 13.5 % vol rs : 5.1 g/l pH : 3.49 ta : 6.3 g/l

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

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

Vintage 2019

2021 Platter's Report - 5 Stars

Vintage 2018

2017 SAWi Awards - Grand Gold

2019 Old Mutual Trophy Wine Show - Silver

2019 Best Value award - 91/100

2019 Veritas Wine Awards - Bronze

ageing : This wine can be enjoyed now, but with careful cellaring it should age gracefully over the next 10 years.

in the vineyard : Amazing Chenin Blanc vintage. Enough winter rain in 2018 and a very cool growing and ripening period led to a vintage with good yields and even better quality. The grapes for this wine came from a couple of old (average age: 30 years) Chenin Blanc vineyards around Stellenbosch. Minimum canopy management was done to ensure enough sunlight, but protected the grapes against direct sunlight.

about the harvest: The grapes were handpicked early in the morning. The average yield of these wonderful old vineyard was 6t/ha.

in the cellar : The grapes were handpicked early in the morning and immediately crushed into holding tanks. We gave extended (24hours) skin contact to extract all the Chenin flavours to ensure good structure in the final wine. Only the free run juice was used and settled for 1 day before inoculation with selected yeast strains. The juice was racked into barrels and Amphora (for the first time) for fermentation. No new barrels were used to ensure that unique characters of the specific terroirs were preserved in the wine. After fermentation the wine was aged on the primary lees for another 7 months before being racked out and prepared for bottling.



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