

Durbanville Hills Collectors Reserve Cape Garden Chenin Blanc 2022

Pale yellow straw colour. Dominant floral bouquet of dense orange blossom and French vanilla drive the aromas accompanied by winter melon, papaya, mango, pear and well-integrated wood aromas of butterscotch Rich, well-integrated wood with predominantly citrus drive profile, lingering orange rind and pear flavours with tantalising stone fruit on the aftertaste.

Serve with a salt and pepper calamari dish, slow-braised gammon, Alfredo pasta and blue cheese dishes.

variety : Chenin Blanc | 100% Chenin Blanc

winery : Durbanville Hills Wine

winemaker : Martin Moore and Kobus Gerber

wine of origin : Durbanville

analysis : alc : 13.66 % vol rs : 2.95 g/l pH : 3.53 ta : 6.38 g/l

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

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

2023 Global Chenin Blanc Masters - Gold

2023 IWSC - Bronze

2023 Standard Bank Chenin Blanc Top 10 Challenge - Winner

2023 Decanter Awards - Bronze

2023 Gilbert & Gaillard - 88 Points

The Company's Garden in Cape Town dates back to when fresh produce and supplies were first provided to ships rounding the Cape. Although originally a vegetable garden, it was not long before the first Chenin Blanc vineyards were planted, and today, the Gardens are recognised for their contribution to the Cape's horticultural heritage. The Chenin Blanc is a true tribute to these Gardens and the origins of Chenin Blanc in the Cape of Good Hope.

in the vineyard : The grapes were selected from a vineyard on the open Easterly side of the valley where the cool sea breeze from Table Bay meets the dry warmer inland air. The block is North-East facing, resulting in the vines being exposed to sunlight from early in the morning which ensures early and even ripening in the start of the season. The soils are sandy loam, allowing for good draining of excess surface water with good water retention lower down. The other block is on the open westerly side of the valley that faces to the West, exposing it to the sun until it sets into the ocean. The soils are fairly deep and of the Yellow Clovelly and red Hutton forms, which have a fair amount of clay content for good water retention.

about the harvest: Grapes were machine harvested.

in the cellar : This wine was made from a single vineyard that was machine harvested. The juice was cold settled with regular lees stirring for three days before being divided into six portions for fermentation. Of these portions 15% was cold fermented in a stainless-steel tank, racked after fermentation and left on the lees for 9 months, while 44% was fermented and matured for 9 months in a combination of 1st and 4th fill French oak barrels, 26% was fermented with an indigenous yeast culture in barrel, 11% was natural fermentation in barrel, 3% of the grapes were fermented on the skins then racked into barrels after fermentation, and 1% fermented in Amphora.



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