

Danie de Wet Cape Muscadel 2000

A rich dessert wine, complemented by fresh tropical fruit flavours on the nose and rounded off with the luscious aftertaste of sunripened raisins.

variety : Muscat de Frontignan | Muscadel

winery : De Wetshof Estate

winemaker : Danie de Wet

wine of origin : Breede River

analysis : alc : 15.27 % vol rs : 189.10 g/l pH : 2.91 ta : 6.80 g/l so2 : 131 mg/l
fso2 : 45 mg/l

type : Dessert

Veritas 2010 Wine Awards - Gold

Veritas 2004 - Gold

Veritas 2003 - Silver

John Platter 2002 - 4½ Stars

ageing : 3-5 years.

in the vineyard : Climate: Winter rainfall approximately 300 mm per annum. Summer afternoons are fanned by a cool breeze from the Agulhas Coast. Nights are chilly and mist often shrouds the vineyards until late morning during high summer.

Soils: The gravelly soils are extremely rich in lime with a 7.8-8 Ph.

Irrigation: The vineyards are scientifically irrigated with the aid of a fully computerised irrigation system. Thanks to the most modern technology, irrigation on De Wetshof has been turned into an asset promoting the quality of the grapes.

Rainfall: Robertson is a winter rainfall area with approximately 300 mm per annum.

Pest Control: Due to a very dry climate, spraying is minimal compared to other wine growing regions.

The rich calcarial soils combined with a climate wherein grapes ripen slowly and evenly create perfect conditions for the cultivation of the Noble white varieties in the Robertson area.

Rootstock: Richter 110

Age of the vines: 7 years

Yield: 5 tons per hectare

Soil type: Gravel lime

Vines per hectare: 3333

Trellising style: 6 Wire fence system, cordon with spur pruning

about the harvest: Only the ripe berries were picked early in the morning.

in the cellar : The grapes were destalked and given overnight skin contact. The juice was gently pressed and fortified without any fermentation. There was no barrel maturation.

Danie de Wet adjusts his methods of winemaking from year to year, according to weather conditions and grape quality, in the belief that wine is made in the vineyard and not in the cellar.

Cooper: French oak barrels for De Wetshof are specially selected from specific coopers to enhance the quality of the fruit.



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