



CHARDONNAY [PREMIUM] 2017

The wine shows an attractive lemony yellow-green colour with a complex nose of citrus, peach, tropical fruit and mineral tones. The palate is long and full with delicate wooding. Beautifully refined and elegant.

This is the 6th year that entirely Estate-grown grapes have been used in the making of the Premium Chardonnay. The vineyards were cropped at 6 tons/ha - 100% of the grapes were barrel fermented. Selections were made in December 2017 before bottling in January 2018.

ORIGIN

The 2017 Chardonnay is made entirely from Estate grown grapes on the Rocklands, Rooiland, Slanghoek and Korhaan sites.

VINIFICATION

Grapes were whole-bunch pressed and not given any skin contact. The juice, slightly clarified, was racked into 20% new French oak barrels (Francois Frère, Dargaud & Jaegle and 80% second, third and fourth fill barrels) for alcoholic fermentation. All the different vineyards were barrel fermented and matured on the lees for 10 months before bottling on 22 January 2018. Released October 2018.

COMPOSITION

100% Chardonnay from the Estate

ANALYSIS

Alc 14.06%
RS 2.0 g/l
TA 6.3 g/l
pH 3.33

MATURATION

Drink over the next five years.



