



Danie de Wet Limestone Hill Chardonnay 2011 (750ml)

main variety Chardonnay

vintage 2011

analysis alc: 14.74 | ph: 3.26 | rs: 4.2 | ta: 6.5 | ts02: 108 | fs02: 32

type White

producer De Wetshof Estate

style Dry

winemaker Danie de Wet

taste Fruity

wine of origin Agulhas Coast

body Full

tasting notes

This Chardonnay is made from grapes grown on high calcareous gravelly hills. After fermentation the wine is matured on the lees in stainless steel tanks for a few months. It is the ideal companion to appetisers, seafood and light meals.

Fresh green apples combined with delicate citrus aromas on the nose follow through on the palate with a long tangy finish of delicious full round ripe peaches, green apples and nutty, citrus flavours.

ageing potential

2 - 4 years

blend information

100% Chardonnay

food suggestions

Best served with white meat and vegetable.

in the vineyard

Danie de Wet present owner and winemaker of De Wetshof Estate, studied viticulture and cellar technology at Geisenheim, the famous German wine institute. Danie pioneered the noble white varieties of Europe in South Africa and today the estate of 200 Hectares specialises in superior white wines exclusively. Thus De Wetshof, the first registered wine estate in the Robertson region, made South Africa's first Chardonnay Superior, Sauvignon Blanc and Rhine Riesling Superior. Today Danie specialises in Chardonnay.

Origin: 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.
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.
Soils: The gravelly soils are extremely rich in lime with a 7.8 - 8 Ph.
Rainfall: Robertson is a winter rainfall area with approximately 300mm per annum.
Pest Control: Due to a very dry climate, spraying is minimal compared to other wine growing regions.

Soil Type: Gravel lime

Rootstock: Richter 99, 110, 101-14

Age of the vines: 11 - 18 years

Vines per hectare: 4,000

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

about the harvest

This Chardonnay is selected from specific clones.

Yield: 8 Tons per hectare

in the cellar