

main variety Chenin Blanc vintage 2012 analysis alc: 13.5 | ph: 3.56 | rs: 2.9 | ta: 5.8 type White producer Villiera Wines winemaker Jeff Grier style Dry taste Fruity wine of origin Stellenbosch

tasting notes

The wine has intense fruit with a hint of wood spice on the nose, including pineapple, guava and citrus. On the palate it is rich and medium bodied with good balance and a long finish.

ageing potential

The wine has the structure to last for 4 years but Chenin Blanc can also be enjoyed young.

blend information 100% Chenin Blanc

in the vineyard

The fruit came from a blend of 3 blocks including 40% old bush vine Chenin Blanc.

about the harvest

The Chenin was picked at optimum ripeness.

body Medium

in the cellar

Villiera was amongst the pioneers of wooded Chenin Blanc in the Cape, albeit only partial, which resulted in a very integrated wine. The aim was to produce a rich, ripe wine which could handle a dimension of oak and would improve over an extended period.

This was achieved by picking fully ripe grapes, allowing 6 hours of skin contact and pressing gently. Forty percent of the wine was fermented in oak, while the balance fermented in stainless steel.

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