



Darling Cellars Old Bush Vines Chenin Blanc 2023

main variety Chenin Blanc

vintage 2023

analysis alc: 14.27 | ph: 3.41 | rs: 2.1 | ta: 6.4

type White

producer Darling Cellars

style Dry

winemaker André Scriven

taste Fruity

wine of Darling

body Full

tasting notes

This wine displays a medium light straw hue in the glass with a green tinge and is made in a ripe tropical style with a split personality being elegant on the one hand but serious and bold on the other. Tropical flavours of ripe yellow peaches, white pear, a touch of vanilla blossoms, toast, butterscotch, orange skin and pineapple meet you on the nose. This wine shows many layers as the Chenin Blanc opens up. Good structure and ripe fruit are well complemented by the wood and can definitely mature for another 10 years.

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blend information

100% Chenin Blanc

food suggestions

Will pair excellently with spicy dishes such as Cape Malay curry or creamy dishes like seafood risotto.
Suitable for vegans.

in the vineyard

Terroir: Made from two vineyards, one on deep Hutton soils with koffiekliip, the other from well drained weathered granite soil
Vineyard type: 40 years old Bush Vines, no irrigation

about the harvest

Yield: 4 t/ha

Balling at Harvest: 23- 24°B

in the cellar

Destalk and crush into small static separators. Skin contact for 12 hours, only free run juice used. 21 days fermentation at 15 °C.

Barrel maturation in 100% French oak (1st fill, 2nd and 3rd) for 9 months. Only the best barrels were selected for the blend.