Power of Love Chenin Blanc 2023



Region

Franschhoek is a broad vineyard lined valley in the southeast corner of Paarl, within the western cape. The vineyards are protected from oceanic influences by the mountains to the south, which also trap southerly cooling winds, lengthening the growing season. Grapes have been planted in the region since the late 1600s, when exiled French Huguenots brought over their viticulture to South Africa and settled in this area, Franschhoek which translates in Dutch to `French corner`. The hot climate here typically shows full bodied, complex reds and rich, fruit driven whites, there is also the association of Cap Classique production to this region. Culturally the area is known for its hospitality, music and variety of festivals.

Producer

They call themselves ‘Rebels of the Vine’ and are pushing the boundaries of a traditional industry and having fun with their wines as seen by their labels. Based in the quaint village of Franschhoek, Kevin, Jacques and Raymond came together to combine their diverse skills and creativity to make great wine. They took inspiration from their surnames to become the Black Elephant Vintners - Swart and Ndlovu become `Black Elephant` and Jacques is the Vintner! Their wines are inspired by good tunes and they firmly believe that music and wine make the best pairing - far from traditional and very Rock ‘n’ Roll!

Tasting Notes

This Chenin is hand picked from dry farmed old bush vines. There is slight skin contact to extract phenolic flavour and ripeness before fermentation, which takes place in steel to preserve the bright fruit profile. Two months of full lees contact with regular stirring gives richness and texture to the wine. This is a vibrant, fruit driven wine with refreshing aromas and flavours of citrus, white pear, quince, melon and lingering yellow peaches supported by a zippy acidity on the finish.

Food

To be enjoyed with friends as an aperitif on a warm summer`s day.

Technical Information

Country	South Africa
Region	Franschhoek
Grape(s)	Chenin Blanc (100%)
Type	White
Style	Fruity
Oaked Style	Unoaked
Body Style	Medium bodied
Sustainable	Yes-certified sustainable

Dry/Sweet Style	Dry	
Alcohol Content	12.5%	
Closure Style	Screw cap	
Organic/Biodynamic	No	
Allergens	**Milk:** **Egg:**	No No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:** **Vegan:**	Yes Yes

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