



SIMONSIG

STELLENBOSCH



CHENIN BLANC

Style of Wine

Full-bodied Chenin Blanc.

Heritage

Simonsig Chenin Blanc was the first wine released by founder Frans Malan in 1968. This versatile varietal appeals with fresh fruit flavours and is reaching new levels of popularity worldwide.

Vintage Description

The 2014 vintage was quite a challenge. With the heat waves in February and winter's rain in March it created a juggling match of when and what to pick. Not only was it nerve racking but tested our endurance starting on the 23rd of January and finishing 14th of April. Nevertheless the quality of the Chenin Blanc was outstanding with ripe luscious fruit and good acidities. At Simonsig we label 2014 as a super Chenin Blanc vintage. Watch this space.

Wine Description

The wine has a bright straw colour that makes a distinctive presence of passion fruit, watermelon and guava. With a lively acidity it pronounces the fruit and coats the palate. An abundance of kiwi fruit with tropical nuances satisfies the palate. The Chenin Blanc 2014 is really a showstopper and is suited for any occasion.

Vinification

Grapes are handpicked, crushed and some lots are given overnight skin contact. Juice is cold settled to brilliant clarity and inoculated with selected yeast strains well known for producing very fruity wines. Fermentation temperature is kept between 12 – 14°C to ensure a nice slow fermentation and optimal fruit flavour production.

Cellaring Potential

Early drinking style, at its best within two years from vintage date.

Serving Suggestions

Easy drinking style. Enjoy while youthful and still showing fermentation bouquet. Wine can also be enjoyed with a seafood breyani, chicken breast with sautéed sliced mango, fruity stuffed quail or Mexican tacos.



A W A R D S

Chenin Blanc 2014: 2015 Platter's Guide: 3½ stars
2014 Mundus Vini Wine Competition: Gold Medal
2014 Veritas: Double Gold Medal

Chenin Blanc 2013: 2013 Veritas: Silver Medal

Chenin Blanc 2012: 2012 Veritas Awards : Gold Medal

Chenin Blanc 2011: 90 Points Wine Advocate - Dec 2012

2012 Best Value Guide: 3½ stars

2012 Chenin Blanc Classic Top 10: 2½ stars

2012 John Platter Wine Guide: 3 stars

2012 SAA: 750ml: Premium Class

2012 SAA: 187ml: Economy Class

2011 Veritas: Silver Medal

Chenin Blanc 2010: 2011 Platter's Guide: 3 stars

Wine Magazine Best Value Awards 2011: ***

2010 Veritas: Gold Medal

Chenin Blanc 2009: 2009 Michelangelo Awards: Gold Medal

Chenin Blanc 2008: John Platter 2009: : Superquaffer of the Year Award – most

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Vintage

2014

Region

Stellenbosch

Grapes

Chenin Blanc 100%

Analysis

Alcohol: 13.73%

Residual Sugar: 4.6 g/l

Total Acidity: 5.7 g/l

pH: 3.42

