M·A·N Family Wines
Free-Run Steen
Chenin Blanc 2024

Our Chenin Blanc is made from dry farmed old-vine vineyards in the prime growing region of Agter-Paarl. Gently extracted 'Free-run' juice is used, which accentuates the crisp fruit flavours for which Chenin Blanc, or Steen, is known. The impeccable balance of refreshing acidity and burst of ripe fruit makes this wine a consistent crowd favorite.

WINE DESCRIPTION

Our Chenin Blanc is crisp and light-bodied, with appropriate degrees of bright fruit and acidity to entice the palate. A rich mouthfeel makes this wine suitable as an aperitif, and also a fine companion to a wide range of cuisines.

COLOR: Light straw.
AROMA: Vibrant notes of quince, pear and pineapple.
PALATE: White peach, green apple and a burst of citrus, with well-rounded acidity, minerality and a rich mouthfeel.
BODY: Crisp and fresh, rounded acidity and medium texture on the palate.

TECHNICAL DETAILS:

Blend: 100% Chenin Blan
Grape Source: Cape Coast
Alc: 13.5%
RS: 3.5
TA: 6.3
pH: 3.48

VINTAGE

A relatively warm and dry start with a favourably wet winter. Water retention in the soil was good, allowing vines to ripen fully without stress.

VINEYARDS

We source our Chenin Blanc from selected vineyards in the Agter-Paarl region. The vineyards are all unirrigated and bush-vine (untrellised) vineyards that produce concentrated, flavourful grapes. Most of the vineyards are older than 25 years old. Our soils are mostly Malmesbury Shale, imparting minerality and fresh acidity to the wines.

WINEMAKING:

Grapes were hand-harvested and only the free-run juice was used. After settling, the must was inoculated and allowed to ferment over 20 days in stainless steel tanks at an average fermentation temperature of 13°C (55°F). The wine was left on its gross lees for 3 months until bottlingfor a richer mouthfeel and longevity.100% un-oaked to preserve the freshness of the fruit. Fined and filtered before bottling.

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