

# CHAPTER FOUR 2019 STELLENBOSCH SAUVIGNON BLANC



**WINEMAKING NOTE:** This 100% Sauvignon blanc from a single 32-year-old bush vine vineyard in the Stellenbosch growing on decomposed shale soils.

The grapes were harvested at around 22,5 brix on the 26th January. The grapes are picked into small grape crates and put in a cold store overnight. The grapes are whole bunch pressed the next day and the juice settled overnight before being taken to 400L old French barrels for fermentation. The fermentation is allowed to start naturally and once completed the wine is topped and matured sur lie for 9 months with regular lees stirring. Only small amounts of SO2 was used in the making of this wine. This wine is bottled without fining or filtration.

One 400L barrel was bottled in November 2019.

### TASTING NOTES:

**COLOUR:** This wine has a vibrant pale straw colour.

**NOSE:** The nose burst with aromas of passion fruit, quince and guava with underlying notes of lemon grass, fresh brioche and white pepper spice.

**PALATE:** The palate is crisp and clean, packed with zesty grapefruit citrus, lemongrass, quince and passion fruit notes. Creamy leesy notes on the mid-palate. Counterbalance the mouthwatering acidity on the finish.

**FOOD PAIRING:** This wine is a perfect accompaniment to grilled fish and chicken dishes.

**MATURATION:** This wine drinks well on release but will reward with cellaring for up to 10 years from harvest.

**PRODUCTION:** 470 bottles

### **TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:**

pH: 3.18TA: 7.70 g/lRS: 2.1 g/l

• Alc: 13.5 % by vol.

## **AWARDS**

• New Release

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# VITICULTURE | AREA: STELLENBOSCH

Altitude:	Aspect:	Row direction:	Planted in:	Soil Type:	Training:	Pruning:	Irrigation:	Plant Density:	Cropping:
230m	North East	SSE to NNW	1988	Oakleaf and Tukulu on Malmesbury Shale	Bush Vine	Spur pruned	Supplemen- tary drip	3333 vines per hectare (1m X 3m spacing)	6 tons/ha or 39 hl/ha