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VERGELEGEN



VERGELEGEN CHARDONNAY RESERVE 2019

TASTING NOTES

The wine shows an attractive lemony yellow-green colour with a complex nose of citrus, white peach, pineapple, spice, citrus blossoms, apricot and buttered toast aromas. The taste is long and elegant with a lively minerality.

ORIGIN

The grapes are all Estate grown and selected from three Vineyards, Rooiland 12 and 13 and the super vineyard Lower Schaapenberg.

VINIFICATION

Grapes were whole-bunch pressed with no skin contact. The juice, with some clarification, was racked into 30% new French oak barrels (Francois Frère, Dargaud & Jaegle) and 70% second and third-fill barrels for alcoholic fermentation. The spontaneous onset of fermentation was allowed for and after 7 days the barrels were inoculated with a pure culture yeast strain. Fermentation took approximately 15 days to complete - once the sugar was fermented, all 25 barrels were topped up. Only one-third of the barrels were allowed to complete malolactic fermentation to retain optimum acidity/freshness. The young wine was left on the gross lees for 8 months with regular batonnage, then stabilized and bottled on 15th November 2019. Released June 2021. Total production 7300 bottles.

COMPOSITION

Chardonnay from the Estate 100%

ANALYSIS

Alc	13,88%
RS	1,63 g/l
TA	5,82/l
pH	3,35

MATURATION

Drink over the next decade if you can resist!