

# VERGELEGEN RESERVE SAUVIGNON BLANC 2019

SCHAAPENBERG VINEYARD

# **TASTING NOTES**

The 2019 Schaapenberg Sauvignon Blanc is extremely aromatic with ripe passion fruit and ripe guava, black currant leaf, a touch of lemongrass and good minerality. The aftertaste is long and clean. Serve with fresh oysters, sushi, and lightly spicy Cape Malay cuisine.

## **ORIGIN**

The grapes come from the famous Schaapenberg Vineyard on the Schaapenberg Hill. This hill functioned as Governor Van der Stels' look out for ships rounding Cape Point. The 2.5 hectare single vineyard was planted in 1988 and is located 6.5 km from False Bay, directly southfacing at 320 meters above sea level.

# **VINIFICATION**

The grapes were hand-picked and de-stemmed but not crushed. The de-stemmed grapes were cooled to 8°C and pumped into the Bucher Inertys Press, which uses inert gas – nitrogen - rather than normal air and ensures that the must/grape juice is protected against oxidation and flavour loss. The clean juice was fermented at 12-14°C for 16 days, followed by 8 months on the lees.

### **COMPOSITION**

Schaapenberg Sauvignon Blanc 100%

# **ANALYSIS**

Alc 13.64 RS 2.15 g/l TA 6.98/l pH 3.17

### **MATURATION**

Accessible now but will reward careful cellaring over the next 5-10 years.