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TERRACED BLOCK RESERVE 2019



VINTAGE CHARACTERISTICS

Severe weather fluctuations during bud break and flowering, followed by cool windy conditions contributed to less and uneven bunches and smaller berries. White wines have shown good acidity and balanced flavour profiles while reds, despite the challenging season, have shown elegance.

VINEYARDS & HARVEST

From a single terraced estate vineyard, with a combination of North and East facing vines. Vineyard produced small concentrated berries with a yield of five tons per hectare. Grapes were handpicked at optimal ripeness.

GRAPE VARIETALS

100% Chardonnay

VINIFICATION

Extensive bunch sorting of the grapes formed part of the quality management process. The grapes were whole bunch pressed and barrel fermented for 14 days. Maturation took place in 225 litre 40% new French barrels for 10 months. No batonage or malolactic fermentation took place, in order to retain freshness.

TASTING NOTES

An expressive bouquet of smoky floral and citrus notes on the nose. On the palate, almonds, pears and passion fruit are supported by a crisp acidity and fine spicy minerals.

WINE OF ORIGIN

Banghoek, South Africa

WINE ANALYSIS

Residual Sugar: 3.0 g/l

pH: 3.09

Total Acidity: 7.1 g/l

Alcohol: 13.5%