

## INDABA Chenin Blanc 2017



Winemaker	Bruwer Raats
Varietal Blend	100% Chenin Blanc
Location	South Africa
Appellation	Western Cape
Alcohol Content	13.2%
TA	5.8 g/l
pH	3.50
RS	3.1 g/l

### Noteworthy

A commitment to social responsibility is a key part of the Indaba philosophy, and a portion of the brand's sales supports early education for wineland workers' children.

### Certifications

Integrated Production of Wines (IPW) Certified, Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment (BBBEE) Level 5

### VINEYARDS:

Grapes were sourced from select vineyard sites in Swartland, Paarl, Stellenbosch, Durbanville, Robertson and McGregor, characterized by soils of Table Mountain sandstone, decomposed Dolomite granite, shale and red Karoo clay. The vines range in age from 5 to 35+ years old, and more than half are low-yielding dry farmed bush vines.

### VINTAGE:

2017 was an exceptional vintage. The growing season was characterized by extremely dry conditions, with ideal warm days and cool nights and none of the typical summer heatwaves. The drought conditions meant that there was no rot or disease pressure, resulting in small berries and reduced yields. Grapes retained excellent natural acidity and the vintage produced wines of great freshness, concentration and flavor intensity.

### VINIFICATION AND MATURATION:

The grapes were picked in the cool early morning hours, de-stemmed, crushed and gently pressed. The juice was settled overnight and was then cold fermented in stainless steel tanks over a period of approximately three weeks. The wine was aged on its lees in tank for five months, with occasional lees stirring. A small portion (1%) was whole bunch pressed straight to 300 liter French oak barrels, where it fermented naturally. It was aged on the lees for five months for enhanced richness and texture on the palate.

### TASTING NOTES:

Chenin Blanc is South Africa's most widely planted varietal and the Cape's signature white. This fresh, easy-drinking version offers vibrant flavors of honeyed pear, golden delicious apple and luscious tropical fruit.

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