

Waterford Chenin Blanc 2018



Cultivars: Chenin Blanc Old Vines (planted 1966)
Vineyard: Stellenbosch
Quantity: 4 800 cases
Aging: Fermented and aged in concrete eggs
Wine Analysis: **Alc** 13.7%
TA 2.8 g/L
RS 4.93 g/L
pH 3.51

TASTING NOTE

Waterford has been making Chenin Blanc since its establishment under the Pecan Stream label. For the last 4 years there has been great effort to secure old vine Chenin Blanc grapes sourced from the Stellenbosch region. This enables us to make world-class wines under the Waterford label. 2018 is the maiden vintage of this wine. Showing wonderful purity and elegance. Flavours of peach, oral honey and pithy stone fruit. Very well textured pallet with fruit complexity and creaminess.

VINTAGE REVIEW

Another tough vintage for South African wineries as severe drought conditions continue. Early ripening varieties were more affected as they are harvested in the middle of summer, with later ones being harder during this period. Whites and blanc de Noir have surprised us with good freshness and the reds show great promise with lower alcohols.

