

WOLF & WOMAN WINES

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GRENACHE BLANC 2022

WOLF & WOMAN Grenache Blanc is a blend of grapes from two different vineyards and regions.

One grows in the Voor-Paardeberg in decomposed granite soils. The singular nature of the terroir of the Voor-Paardeberg is underpinned by the influence of the south-westerly wind which blows here in the afternoon.

Viticulturists call this wind the "Table Bay air-conditioner".

It allows the vineyards to cool down at night, which means the grapes ripen slower and maintain their acidity better.

The second vineyard grows in Piekenierskloof Mountains, at an altitude of 650m above sea level, in sandstone soils. Grapes that grow at higher altitude encounter a larger variance between day and night temperatures - the cold nights preserve acidity in grapes and results in fresher wines. High altitudes also enjoy more intense sunlight, so grapes grow thicker skins, which results in more intense flavour and tighter tannins.

All of the grapes were picked early in the morning, packed in crates and spent 24 hours in a cold room. The following day the grapes were whole bunch pressed, and then went directly into 500L old oak barrels where natural fermentation was allowed to occur, after which the wine matured for 8 months on the lees before blending and bottling.

COLOUR Pale yellow

NOSE Citrus zest, pear, white peach

PALATE Backed by weight and texture, ending in a bright acidity

COMPOSITION 100% Grenache Blanc

ORIGIN Western Cape

VINEYARD This wine is a blend of two different vineyards. 50 % from Voor Paardeberg and 50 % from Piekenierskloof Mountains.

VINE AGE 17 & 14 years old

YIELD Average of 8 tons/ha

TOTAL PRODUCTION 1 400 bottles

ALCOHOL 13.4% **PH** 3.3

RESIDUAL SUGAR 1.7 g/L

TOTAL ACIDITY 5.4 g/L

TOTAL SULFUR DIOXIDE 80 mg/L

