



# PAINTED *wolf* WINES

## The Den, Chenin Blanc 2015 W.O. Swartland

### Tasting notes

This wine has a lively aroma and flavour of Persian melon and pear with an underlying savoury minerality. The wine has a great texture and a long layered finish with bright acidity keeping it fresh and vibrant.

### The Vineyard

Chenin Blanc is harvested from a number of blocks on farms in the Swartland region, both irrigated and dry farmed vines of 20 to 40 years old. Finished with around 10% Chardonnay

### Winemaking

This wine was made from ripe grapes picked to deliver a rich flavour and texture. It is made up from 3 different tanks produced in different ways. Approximately 50% of the wine was made with clean cold tank ferment, with about 25% being fermented with a small number of French oak staves and the further 25% balance, a "funky" ferment with lots of lees in the tank and a very slow fermentation to build glycerol and texture in the wine. The final blend was put together from these components.

### Ageing potential

This wine should be drunk within 2-3 years of the vintage.

### Wine Analysis

Alcohol 13.69%  
Residual Sugar 3.36g/l  
Total Acid 5.7g/l  
Ph. 3.37

### Awards & Accolades

Silver medal Veritas 2015  
Bronze medal International Wine Challenge 2015

### Food Suggestions

The Den Chenin Blanc is delicious on its own. The wine has tons of flavours and poise and is a versatile partner for many different dishes.

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