



PAINTED *wolf* WINES

The Den, Sauvignon Blanc 2013

Tasting notes

Elegant with soft aromas and flavours of tropical fruits, mineral, nettle and subtle oak and a clean vibrant finish. The wine is really beautifully balanced. The Den wines are comfort wines, and this wine delivers just that.

The Vineyard

Sauvignon Blanc is harvested from a small 1 hectare block of vines on Southern Cross farm in Simondium, Paarl. The vineyard at the base of the Simonsberg mountain has decomposed granite soil. The vineyard was planted in 1986 and is not irrigated.

Winemaking

Great care has been taken to ensure that the grapes were picked at the correct time.

This is a warm site, and the lack of irrigation makes sensitivity to the correct picking time especially important. The wine was made at Rheebooskloof. It received the best possible attention, being blanketed with CO₂ throughout the crushing and pressing process. 8000 litres was fermented in stainless steel, and a further 1000 litres in 2nd fill French oak 500 litre barrels. Sauvignon Blanc was bottled in early August 2013

Ageing potential

This wine should be drunk within a year or two of the vintage.

Wine Analysis

Alcohol 12.82%
Residual Sugar 1.7 g/l
Total Acid 6.05g/l
Ph 3.38

Food Suggestions

The Den Sauvignon Blanc is delicious on its own or with simply served oysters on the half shell with brown bread and butter.

Awards & Accolades

Platter 31/2*

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