Overgaauw

ABRAHAM
SAUVIGNON BLANC 2018

VARIETAL(S)	100% Sauvignon Blanc
VINTAGE	Since 1989; current 2018

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The unique aspect combined with the soils of Overgaauw contribute in creating a wonderfully complex Sauvignon Blanc, with amazing well balanced natural acids and notes of minerality. The aroma and flavours are a combination of herbaceous greens and elegant tropical fruits.

VITICULTURE

Vineyard location:	Stellenbosch Kloof, 175m above sea level, south facing, 15km from False Bay
Moderate climate:	Winter ave temp – 13ºC (min 7ºC, max 17ºC)
	Summer ave temp – 21.5ºC (min 20.5ºC, max 30.5ºC)
Soil type	Deep Hutton and Clovelly (decomposed granite)
Age of vines:	18 years
Trellising:	4-wire hedge system with moveable wires
Pruning	Cordon system with 2 bud spurs, ensuring low yield
Harvest date:	February 2018
Cool harvesting:	05h30 to 11h00 to retain intense varietal flavours
Yield per hectare:	7 tons
Sugar at harvest:	22.5ºB

VINICULTURE

Cold maceration on the skins prior to pressing: 8 hours	
Fermentation:	100% fermentation in new 400L
Lees Contact:	Barrel component aged 11 months on gross lees.
Alcohol:	13% vol
Total acid:	5.4 g/l
pH:	3.40
Residual sugar	2.7 g/l

David's belief in extended lees contact prior to bottling bears fruit in a wine with a good mouth feel and longevity.

OUR WINEMAKER DAVID VAN VELDEN'S COMMENTS

The Sauvignon Blanc grapes are from a single vineyard and were picked at optimum ripeness producing a crisp complex and very refreshing wine. It generously offers a mélange of 'green' and subtle tropical aromas of lime zest, blackcurrent, green apple, and pineapple with a touch of 'Overgaauw' minerality. The aromas follow through onto a well balanced vibrant palate which delivers an elegant refreshing, crisp finish and a lingering after taste.

FOOD SUGGESTIONS

Fresh oysters, grilled fish steak with asparagus risotto, fish and langoustine pie, sweet pepper and chicken stir fry, chicken or seafood salad with Asian dressing, salmon sushi.

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