SPIER FARMER ANGUS | ORGANIC CHENIN BLANC

2022

'Regenerative agriculture is my life's work. I believe that all health stems from the soil. These organic wines are the result of an ongoing collaborative journey with the Spier team. Come and visit me for a farm immersion and a tasting of our collection of fine wines.

My favourite way to enjoy this single vineyard wine is with our prosciutto, made from our pigs that are raised outdoors under the African sun.'

- Angus McIntosh

TASTING NOTE:

This wine offers butterscotch, apricots, pineapple and hints of citrus on the nose. The rich, mouthwatering palate of citrus, caramel and honeycomb culminates in a lingering, crisp finish.

APPEARANCE:

Bright golden hue.

ANALYSIS:

Alc: 13.29 % vol TA: 4.9 g/L RS: 1.2 g/L pH: 3.59

TSO₂ 87 mg/L

WINEMAKER:

Tania Kleintjes

ORIGIN:

Stellenbosch

SOIL & TERROIR:

The differences in altitude, aspect, solar radiation and wind exposure result in significant mesoclimate differences over short distances. This, coupled with variations in soil (mainly Escourt/Pinedene transitioning to Cartef), creates a terroir that ensures full and complex wines with unique character and style. This vineyard, planted between 1983 and 1985, has been biodynamically farmed to enhance the vines' natural fauna and flora and accentuate the grapes' intrinsic characteristics.

WINEMAKING:

The grapes were hand harvested early in the season to utilise their natural acidity and later in the season to harness their aromas and flavours. They were pre-cooled in the cellar, followed by meticulous hand sorting of the bunches and whole-bunch pressing. The natural yeast flora completed alcoholic fermentation, which was temperature controlled in a combination of older French-oak barrels and ceramic eggs. Only the best barrels and eggs were selected at the end of the 10-month ageing on the lees for the final blend. A low-intervention approach was used throughout the winemaking process. To align with the biodynamic ethos, the wine was bottled unfiltered and unfined. It may deposit a sediment; this is natural.











