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SWARTLAND



CHENIN BLANC

Vintage 2025

Year planted 1999

Winelist description

The fruit for this wine is sourced from bush vines that are over 25 years old. Pale yellow in colour, this fresh and approachable Chenin Blanc offers inviting aromas of yellow apple, lime zest, and ripe white pear. Light in body with crisp, lively acidity, it delivers a clean and refreshing palate. An easy-drinking wine with subtle fruit purity and a dry, vibrant finish.

Clones	SN 200C
Rootstock	Paulsen
Picking time	02:00-10:00
Trellis system	Bush Vines
Pruning style	Spur pruned, 2buds per spur
Slope	North East
Row direction	North East
Block (nrs)	37
Altitude	220m
Distance to ocean	65km
Distance to fermentation	Less than 2km
Soil	iron-ridge
ABV%	13.6% Vol
Residual sugar	1.7g/l
Total acidity	6.0g/l
pH	3.58
Blend	100% Chenin Blanc

Vintage Notes

The 2025 vintage began with excellent post-harvest conditions and ample rainfall, allowing the vines to build strong reserves ahead of dormancy. A cold, wet winter provided ideal chilling hours, followed by a warm spell in August that encouraged even bud break. While strong winds during flowering reduced yields slightly, the dry, warm summer that followed resulted in small, concentrated berries of exceptional quality. Despite a lighter crop, the fruit showed beautiful natural acidity and purity.

Winemaking Philosophy

Chenin produces intensely flavoured wines in our terroir. To that end we harvest the grapes early in the ripening window to ensure freshness and balance. Careful and gentle handling in the cellar further allow the full spectrum of varietal characteristics to come to the fore. The structure and depth that characterise Chenin from our region, allow even unoaked versions to age very well.

Vineyard Philosophy

The personality of these hardy bush vines has been shaped by time and the elements. The dryland vineyards are located at a high altitude (322 m) and yield complex, concentrated fruit. Cover crops and mulches are employed to help the vines retain moisture in dry conditions and improve soil health.