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Southern Right

SAUVIGNON BLANC

WINE OF ORIGIN CAPE COAST

SOIL: Clay-rich shale derived soil 40% Decomposed Granite soil 28%

Table Mountain Sandstone derived soil 32%

ALCOHOL: 13.48%

ACID: 7.20 g/l

PH: 3.38

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 1.90 g/l

BARREL MATURATION: 8% in neutral barrels

YIELD: 6.5 tons/ha, 40.03 hl/ha

FRUIT ORIGIN: Hemel-en-Aarde 47% Walker Bay 53%

PRODUCTION: 14 500 cases of 12 bottles equivalent

Release date – June 2023



GROWING SEASON

Despite slightly later bud-break for Sauvignon blanc, ripening was just over one week earlier in 2023. Later ripening sites were at risk from significant late February and March rains, but careful in-vineyard selection enabled us to bring only the best grapes to the cellar. At 24.18 centigrade for the average maximum temperatures for the 4 “hottest” months (Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar) building up to and during harvest, 2023 was one of our coolest years on record. Burgundy for the equivalent period has an average of 24.66 Centigrade. For those lucky enough to harvest before the substantial late season rains 2023 produced vibrant energetic wines with wonderful natural acidity.

WINE STYLE

Made in a way ensuring the personality of site and soil is not over-ridden by the forceful character of the variety, this wine exhibits the typical Southern Right balance of tight "Old World" minerality and length with hints of "New World" texture and body. The 2023 is a wine that favours origin expressive individuality, minerality and palate complexity ahead of simple, pungent varietal aroma. A significant percentage of fruit from iron and clay-rich soil has added a textural and structural component and additional overall complexity to this wine. The sandstone soils have contributed their typical bright, tensile character and a marked, saline minerality. This is Sauvignon blanc as fine wine, not Sauvignon blanc as simply a varietal expression.

All Southern Right wines are made, matured, bottled and labelled by Southern Right on the Southern Right farm.

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