

Earth

2023

VINEYARD

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| GRAPES | Chenin blanc |
| YEAR of PLANTING | 1968 |
| SOIL TYPE | Weathered granite, quartz and iron |
| VINE FORM | Dry farmed bush vines |
| APPELLATION | Swartland (Paardeberg) |

WINE ANALYSIS

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| ALCOHOL | 13.23 % |
| RESIDUAL SUGAR | 2.9 g/L |
| TOTAL ACID | 5.5 g/L |
| pH | 3.44 |

ABOUT THE WINE

The Earth vineyard is planted on a granite-based mountain (called the Paardeberg) in the Southernmost part of the Swartland. It is situated on the historic Lammershoek property on a Southeast facing ridge. This interesting mixture of weathered granite with iron coated granite rocks and -quartz creates a dense wine with power on the palate while maintaining the energy and focus that the Chenin blancs from this area is known for.

As we treat all our Chenin blanc grapes the same, this is truly an expression of the vineyard site.

VINIFICATION

Harvesting took place in the morning and the grapes were transported to the winery where it spent a night in a cold room. The grapes were whole bunch pressed the next day and settled overnight without the use of enzymes. The juice was racked the following day into old 300L barrels and fermented naturally. The wine spent 10 months in barrel and was then blended and bottled.

Total production 763 bottles

