



LOUIS FOURIE CHARDONNAY 2013

Composition: 100% Chardonnay



★ NEW OLD WORLD WINE

Louis, founding father of the Fourie's in South Africa, fled persecution in France and survived the journey to Table Bay South Africa in 1689. He searched the best terroir for his vines and oaks and founded De Slange Rivier Vineyards on the Groenberg mountain near Paarl. The Colony Governor Willem Van Der Stel granted the deed in 1699. The wine became New World, the heritage was Old World.

Linton Park Wines Estate continues the legacy.

Winemakers JG Auret **Viticulture** Rudolf Jansen van Vuuren



🍇 Climate / Quality of the soil/ Vines

Cool breeze micro-climate, one of the highest vineyards in South Africa with temperatures 6°C cooler than the valley giving our grapes slow ripening. Our Chardonnay vines thrive on the decomposed high mineral soil types, Oakleaf with dark brown coloured porous subsoil is dominant together with Tukulu and Dundee soil formations on the mountain. The necessary irrigation is done on a few blocks due to the magnificent soil types and a 7 wire hedge trellis system keep these delicate foliage of the vines in place. Hand selected from specific blocks at dawn to keep grapes cool for vinification. Some of the Chardonnay vines are grown at the highest and coolest area giving optimum flavour characteristics.

🍷 Winemaking process

Hand harvesting
De-stemming and crushing
Pressing
Controlled fermentation at 12°C during 14-21 days in stainless steel tanks.
Three months matured in French Oak.
Stabilizing
Filtering
Bottling and labelling at the Estate

★ Wine composition:

Alcohol: 13.5% Total acidity: 5.2g/L Residual sugar: 2.9g/L

🍷 Winemaker comments:

Light pineapple and mango tones on the nose. The pallet is filled with lemon and pineapple aromas and leaves a buttery finish.

🍽️ Food matches:

Standard Chicken Cordon Bleu swimming in a creamy wine sauce.

🌡️ Drinking temperature:

Best at a temperature between 10°C and 12°C.

🏆 Awards:

Double Gold Award, Michelangelo International Awards 2013
Top 10 Wines, Quest for the Best Wellington 2014.



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