

STEEN, DONKIESBAAI







TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

,	Alcohol	Residual sugar
	13.6	2.8
	рН	Acidity
	3.17	6.3

From the holiday home of the Engelbrecht family where crayfish and a cold glass of Steen (Chenin Blanc) is part of the history that is Donkiesbaai.

TASTING NOTE

A subtle note of frangipani provides a top note to intense fruit aromas of citrus with lots of white peach, nectarine and white pineapple. The intensity of fruit follows through on the palate, uplifted by a racy acidity. Flavours of lemon and lime are more prominent, with cape gooseberry, pineapple, peach and a creamy texture of lemon curd providing body. Fresh, layered and balanced with a dry yet textured mouthfeel and a zesty citrus finish.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

Piekenierskloof has a warm climate but enjoys light winds from the southwest which results in cool evenings. The vineyards grow at high altitude, 520 metres.

VINIFICATION DETAILS

Donkiesbaai Steen is made of 5 components. 15% is fermented in stainless steel tanks and transferred to seasoned barrels for 6 months' maturation. 50% is fermented in French oak barrels then racked off the gross lees and matured in a combination of new and seasoned barrels. 20% is fermented spontaneously and matured in concrete eggs on the lees for added complexity and mouthfeel. 10% is fermented spontaneously in clay amphoras to retain the freshness and natural acidity of the Steen. 5% of the wine was stored in the tank and blended in prior to bottling, adding purity of fruit.

ATTRIBUTES

