

MULDERBOSCH

CHENIN BLANC STEEN OP HOUT

VINTAGE 2022

REGION Stellenbosch (Stellenbosch Kloof, Polkadraai &

Helderberg), South Africa

VARIETY Chenin Blanc **WINEMAKER** Henry Kotzé **IMPORTER** Third Leaf Wines

20 000 **CASE QUANTITY**

UPC 6009803564027

BARREL AGEING 35% fermented in a combination of neutral French Oak

barrels and 1500L foudrés, the remaining 65% in

stainless steel tanks for 6 months.

ANALYSIS Residual Sugar: 1.9 g/l pH: 3.49

> Alcohol: 13.5 % Total Acid: 5.6 g/l Free SO₂: 31 mg/l Total SO₂: 113 mg/l

Grape Brix: 22-23°

VINEYARD

Sourced from 3 Stellenbosch sub-regions which make up **INFORMATION**

the entirety of this blend.

Stellenbosch Kloof - Cooler, Cape fynbos herbaceous elements, with tropical fruit notes.

Polkadraai - Stone fruit dominant, tropical fruit expression.

Helderberg - "Loire" like classic flinty minerality, gravel

and salinity.

These parcels are specifically chosen after years of single vineyard evaluation. We now know some of the extent of the capabilities of these unique sites. It's also apt to say that the full potential of these blending components is still to be realized, and how best to use them together, but time is on our hands. Even though these vineyards are in their middle years (some already nearing old vine status), they are in great condition given the amount of attention they are receiving at the hands of Mulderbosch and our growers.

Only good things can come of this.

TASTING NOTES Nose: Notes of green fig and ripe peaches, typical

nuanced Chenin blanc stone fruit aromas, like apricot, pear and pineapple abound on the nose. The underlying flint and finely spiced earthiness underpins the sweetness and presents the first offering, an extremely inviting one.

Palate: On the palate it all comes to the fore, but with the real undertaking of finesse and balance being the most critical one. This vintage was very forthright in its expression of freshness, with it leaning more towards a natural acidic balance without compensating fruit allure.

A really good fit!

