

# PAS DE NOM WHITE

2021

This year

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Following the severe Cape Drought, by the winter season leading up to 2021 most of our water resources were sufficiently replenished. This contributed to healthy, homogenous vine growth seen early on in the vintage, but called for some serious canopy management later on. Weather conditions throughout the season were cooler than usual, which led to harvest starting about two weeks later and hang times stretching well into the last days of April to achieve full ripeness. Long hang time and slow ripening with meticulous attention in the vineyards to combat disease led to good colour development, low pH and naturally high acidities.

The wine

This wine has been carefully crafted from grapes that grow in cool climate pockets of the greater Western Cape. The grapes were picked in the early morning hours, meticulously sorted, destemmed and allowed to soak on their skins for 24 hours before being pressed. This adds serious citrus zest aromas and flavours to the juice to even further highlight the fruit's zippy minerality. After pressing, the juice was settled overnight and then racked off the heavy sediment to stainless steel for fermentation.

Fermentation in stainless steel preserves the intense flavours that a growing season like this one could produce, and allows for us to control the fermentation temperature optimally. We kept the ferment slow at a very low temperature to maximise fruit potential and ended up with a wine that sings of ripe melon, lemon and tropical fruit.

After the ferment was completed the wine was left on its gross fermentation lees for 8 months before being racked, lightly filtered and bottled. The palate has a rich texture and a fresh acidity that provides a long, lively finish.



W.O.

Western Cape

ALC

13.5 % VOL

TA

6.5 g/l

VA

0.37 g/l

RS

1.8 g/l

pH

3.49

Pas de Nom meaning Without Name is something so sublime that it could only be inspired by an individual of character, strength and temerity. This range of wines is a tribute to our late farm manager, Japie Bronn, who has been instrumental in developing the vineyards on some of the steepest slopes in the Cape.

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