

ELODIE

THE LANDSCAPE SERIES

2022 CHENIN BLANC

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ABOUT

The Landscape Series is a range of five wines that show the best of Gabriëlskloof's vineyards, together with some special old vine treasures, and aims to give an honest representation of the elements that make them unique. We wanted the labels to reflect this approach and commissioned Niël Jonker – well-known for his landscape panels painted on location – to capture the spirit of our Overberg landscapes.

VINEYARD NOTES

We bought the fruit for this vintage of Elodie from four old vine blocks in the Swartland (Langkloof, Nuweland, Rooidraai and Jakkalsfontein). The Langkloof and Jakkalsfontein vines are planted on granite soils, while the Nuweland and Rooidraai soils are iron-rich. As a result, the harvest was two to three weeks later than usual, leading to enhanced flavour development.

WINEMAKING

All fruit was whole bunch pressed and 100% wild fermented in 70% 400- and 500L older French barrels, and 30% clay amphorae. The wine spent nine months on its lees before blending and bottling.

TASTING NOTE

Tightly wound at first but unwinds into a full and layered expression of its Swartland origins. Yellow kumquats, pear and straw accompany a fresh and zesty acidity and a mineral core. With time, the fruit grows in opulence in the glass, with almonds and buttered toast joining the bouquet and a light flinty smoke. Precise and age-worthy.

TECHNICAL

Alc 13.3 | RS 1.8 | TA 5.7 | pH 3.28



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