

CAPENSIS S I L E N E

CHARDONNAY

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HERITAGE

Capensis is a family of three wines dedicated exclusively to Chardonnay. The name Capensis is taken from the Latin word meaning “from the Cape,” and pays homage to their home in South Africa, one of the oldest winemaking regions in the world. The ancient soils, dramatic landscapes and historic vineyards of Stellenbosch, Overberg and Robertson are the foundation for Capensis, which honors the greatness of South Africa. Winemaker Graham Weerts has carefully selected the finest Chardonnay vineyards within the Western Cape to create these expressive wines.

VINTAGE OVERVIEW

Stellenbosch's 2022/2023 season began with mild and dry conditions which had a crucial impact on grape quality and quantity. Drier conditions limited berry mass and subsequently yields, but also ensured outstanding quality. The cool ripening period aided early cultivars, like Chardonnay and exceptional wines were produced during this time.

WINE NOTES

The intent of Capensis Silene Chardonnay is to highlight the nuances and profound flavor profile that can be found in the Stellenbosch winegrowing region. Enticing aromas of yellow peach and bright citrus harmonize with delicate nuances of vanilla pod. On the palate, vibrant flavors of tangy lemon drop, and zesty citrus unfold, gracefully balanced by biscuity notes that enhance the wine's complexity. A smooth, creamy texture elevates this wine's richness, culminating in a briny, persistent finish that lingers with a mouthwatering elegance.

VARIETY

100% Chardonnay

REGION

Stellenbosch
Western Cape, South Africa

VINEYARDS

43% Fijnbosch Estate Vineyard
37% Nooitgedacht Vineyard
10% Limoenkloof Vineyard
10% Zetler Vineyard

AGING

10 months in French oak
30% new

ALCOHOL

13.6%

PH

3.33

TA

6.8

RS

3.8

