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MÉTHODE CAP CLASSIQUE BLANC VINTAGE 2017

Born from the ashes and found only in Madagascar and the Cape, the Aristeia flower flourishes on land ravaged by fire, opening for just one day each year.

It also symbolises the struggle, passion and dedication required to produce every new vintage of our special collection of handmade wines. Wines that express a sense of place, crafted with skill and adventure by friends united in a single purpose: to capture the elegance and spirit of South Africa.

TECHNICAL INFO

Blend:	Chardonnay & Pinot Noir		
Grapes Origin:	W.O. Stellenbosch	Alcohol:	12%
Vineyard Yield:	10 tons / hectare	Residual Sugar:	7 g/l
Harvest Date:	18/01/17 & 24/01/17	Total Acid:	7.4 g/l
Production:	5,350 bottles 250 magnums	pH:	3.1

WINEMAKING

This prestige cuvée Méthode Cap Classique (MCC) sparkling-wine is a blend of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grapes. The grapes were carefully selected for best quality and hand-picked in the cool early hours of the morning.

A slow and gentle whole-bunch press was done on the grapes and only the first press fraction (cuvée) / best juice was used from each batch. After settling, the juice was racked and inoculated with yeast for the alcoholic fermentation, and thereafter full malolactic fermentation was completed on all the base wines.

Blended and bottled in 2017, our Aristeia MCC Blanc undergoes a lengthy secondary bottle fermentation and maturation period of a minimum of 3 - 4 years on the lees before disgorgement.

TASTING NOTES

An elegantly complex and classically styled MCC that is layered with the uplifting freshness from the Chardonnay, finesse from the Pinot Noir and subtle biscuity bouquet of the extended bottle fermentation. The luxury of having extended time during secondary fermentation on lees adds great intensity to the nose and sumptuous flavours to the palate that finishes off with a fine mousse and delicate lingering bubbles dancing on your tongue. Every taste tickles the back of your brain with finesse and subtle aromas to entice you to come back for another sip. Mouth-wateringly refreshing with great ageing potential, and best enjoyed with special friends.

DRAWING THE BEST FROM THIS UNIQUE TERROIR,
HAND IN HAND WITH NATURE.

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