



Dekker's Valley Seraphic 2018

main variety Chardonnay

vintage 2018

analysis alc: 13.29 | ph: . | rs: 1.4 | ta: 6.0

type White

producer Mellasat Vineyards

style Dry

winemaker Mellasat Vineyards

taste Fruity

wine of Paarl

tasting notes

Seraphic – the name means blissful, joyful, angelic or fruitful. Offers plenty of quaffing fun with tropical fruit on palate, peachy aftertaste.

blend information

51% Chenin Blanc, 29% Chardonnay , 20% Viognier

food suggestions

Fresh summer salads and seafood.

in the vineyard

On the farm Dekkersvlei in Klein Drakenstein near Paarl at 254 meters above sea level.

Vine Age: From 9 to 34 years

Soil: Decomposed Granite

Average Yield: 5 tons per hectare (35hl/ha).

Irrigation: Most of the vines are trellised with drip irrigation but the Chenin Blanc is 34 year-old bush vines with no irrigation.

about the harvest

1st to 12th February 2018

in the cellar

Yeast (Zymaflore® VL3) was inoculated after 48 hours of juice settlement of the first cultivar, Chardonnay, and then the other varieties were added sequentially upon intake and co-fermented for 21 days at an average temperature of 14°C until dry.

An addition of tartaric acid was made as the juice was racked off the settlement lees to correct pH pre fermentation. The wine was unwooded, made in a reductive style, remaining in tank until the bottling date. Protein stabilisation of the wine was carried out using bentonite, and tartrate stabilisation was undertaken prior to bottling. The wine was fined in tank using gelatine and careful racking. No filtering of the wine was undertaken except at bottling when a split 70/110 AF sterile filtration was used.