



ZORGVLiet

Cap Classique 2024 Blanc de Blancs

Tasting notes:

This is a wine made for celebration as it is the first grapes to be picked every year. We know the harvest has arrived when the Chardonnay arrives at the cellar.

The wine shows fresh notes of lemon curd, white peach and lime with aromas of brioche and almonds. The mousse is fine and lingering, and the palate is long and persistent. A creamy texture balance well with the fresh natural acidity.

Analysis: alc: 12.21% / ph: 3.17 / TA: 6.6g/L / RS: 7.9g/L

Viticulture:

The vineyard elevation is 300m - this provides for moderate temperatures resulting in late but slow ripening of fruit. The soils are made up of leached, decomposed granite and sandstone. Gravel in the upper layers provides for good drainage in wet seasons and clay in the subsoil provides moisture retention in dry ones. Vineyards are trained on a 7-wire hedge and cane pruned by hand. Average yield is 10tons/ha.

Harvest notes:

The 2023 season had a dry and cool winter up until budding, followed by a warmish spring with earlier budding of about a week and then an earlier flowering by approximately 7 days. We expected an earlier harvest. Some rain in early December that improved veraison. The rest of December was humid and pleasant. There were heat waves during the end of December and early February, but then the temperature dropped, and rain spells continued with cold weather until the end of March.

Winemaking notes:

The grapes were crushed and destemmed. Only the cuvee fraction (first 550L/ton) was used from the press. Juice was cold settled and partially fermented with a neutral yeast strain in old French oak barrels. After 6 months, a pre bottling blend of the barrel and tank fermented portions was made.

The wine spent a further 12 months in the bottle on the secondary fermentation lees before disgorgement.

Aging potential:

This wine has the potential to age well when stored correctly but is best consumed young or with minimal bottle maturation.

Production: 5904 x750ml

