Kershaw Chardonnay Deconstructed Lake District Cartref CY96

Richard Kershaw Wines

South Africa - Western Cape - Cape South Coast - Elgin

Sourced from the western part of Elgin, known as the Lake District, this clone produces wines that are nervous, aromatic, elegant and sharp with slightly lower alcohol and finely balanced, the fruit profile being subtle with hints of citrus/orange peel and peach blossom and with time, some nutty elements. The Cartref soils, a mixture of decomposed granite, pebbles and quartz, adds delicacy and heightens the fruit intensity.

The inspiration for my Deconstructed Chardonnay stems from my belief that the Elgin region boasts credentials that make it world-class. To bolster these regional credentials, I have set out to prove that Elgin has both a signature grape, as well as specific 'terroirs' (meso-climates) that reflect intra-regional distinctions. To fully comprehend this, it is necessary to dig deeper into the DNA that make up our region. To elucidate this, I have decided to make these 3 Chardonnay wines, each selected from a specific vineyard and an individual clone. Importantly, this is an ongoing story that will unfold over the coming years.

Specifications	
Appellation	Cape South Coast - Elgin
Varietals	100% Chardonnay
Soil type	Cartref, of granitic origin with Quartz
Vinification	Grapes were hand-picked, placed into small lug baskets and tipped directly into a press before being gently whole-bunch pressed up to a maximum of 0.6 bar or until a low juice recovery of 590 litres per ton was obtained. The juice gravity-flowed directly to barrel (no pumps) without settling. The unclarified juice had no enzymes or yeast added to it and therefore underwent spontaneous fermentation until dry, with malolactic discouraged. The wine rested in Burgundian oak barrels for 4 months prior to judicious sulphuring and a further 7 months



Codes, Weights and Measures	
UPC	7 84585 02444 5
Units/Case	6
Unit Size	750 mL
Container	bottle
scc	1 07 84585 02444 2
Case Weight	24
Cases/Pallet	120
Layers/Pallet	15
ABV	13.50%

	\$ 131.99 USD
SRP	750mL Bottle

Reviews and News

2019 Kershaw Chardonnay Deconstructed Lake District Cartref CY96 - 95 PTS - TA
2017 Kershaw Chardonnay Deconstructed Lake District Cartref CY96 - 93 PTS - IWR
2017 Kershaw Chardonnay Deconstructed Lake District Cartref CY96 - 91 PTS - WA