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BONFIRE HILL, EXTREME VINEYARDS WHITE, WESTERN CAPE, SOUTH AFRICA, 2020



Producer Profile

Winemaker Trizanne Barnard has years of international winemaking experience. Her passion lies in the Western Cape, making wines sourced from the most extreme vineyards and blending them to perfection.

Trizanne seeks out grapes from wind-ravaged vineyards in Elim, the old expanses of the Overberg Highlands, from dryland bush vines in the warm Swartland and from the high slopes of the Piekernierskloof. They then all come together under Trizanne's watchful eye to create wines full of flavour, tannin and texture.

Viticulture

All around the far-flung edges of South African winelands are special blocks of vineyards that disappear into massive blends of often mediocre quality. This range of wines is all about plucking these vineyards from obscurity and allowing them to sing.

Winemaking

Whole bunch pressed, and a natural fermentation and 8 months in 300, 500 and 500L French oak barrels...10% New Oak.

Tasting Note

Welcome to complex, ripe aromas of citrus and peach, backed up by the faintest sprinkling of fresh thyme and vanilla. The aromas introduce a palate altogether more complex, with rich, more-ish, juicy stone fruit, wrapped up in crunchy, refreshing, grapey acidity. Mouth-filling, delicious and succulent.

Food Matching

Spring vegetables, light seafood dishes and scallops.

Awards

Winemagazine.co.za 91 Points

67% Chenin Blanc, 12% Grenache Blanc, 12% Roussane and 9% Viognier sourced variously from Wellington, Breedekloof and Robertson. Subtle aromatics of honeysuckle, citrus and peach with spice and some earthiness in the background. The palate, meanwhile, is tightly wound with a good core of fruit to go with some phenolic grip, the finish intensely savoury. 91 Points, 2021.

Technical Details

Varieties:

Chenin Blanc 67%
Grenache Blanc 12%
Others 21%

ABV: 13%

Closure: Screw cap

Colour: White

Style: Still wine

Case Size: 6 x 75cl

Oak Treatment

Time: 8 Months

Type: 300, 500 and 500L
French Oak

% wine oaked: 100

% new oak: 10