



LE BONHEUR

## LE BONHEUR CHARDONNAY 2018

WINE OF ORIGIN STELLENBOSCH

A medium-bodied, creamy yet crisp wine - densely packed with notes of citrus, white peach and a touch of toasted brioche. Perfect to enjoy now - this wine will also cellar well for 5-7 years. A classic match for grilled fish or seafood dishes.

### GRAPE VARIETIES

100% Chardonnay

Average age of vines : 21 ans

### TERROIR

Le Bonheur's Chardonnay vineyards are planted on the higher slopes of Klapmutskop and benefit from cooler afternoons. This is due to the shadow of Klapmutskop, which results in cool and moderate ripening conditions. The vines, which grow in a range of soils, from sandy to limestone or decomposed granite. The average yield was 8 tons per hectare.

### VINIFICATION

The grapes were harvested by hand at 23.5° Balling and received no skin contact after crushing. Each vineyard was individually vinified. Thirty percent of the blend was barrel fermented in a combination of Allier and Nevers small oak, with the balance (70%) fermented in stainless steel tanks at 15°C to 16°C. After four months of lees contact, the wine was filtered lightly and the blend assembled.

### MATURING

8 mois

### TASTING

Appearance : Pale straw.

Nose : Elegant notes of citrus blossoms, melon and white peach, with a touch of minerality.

Palate : Medium-bodied, with a crisp acidity. Generous citrus fruit is supported by a touch of oak. The Le Bonheur Chardonnay is known for its restrained power and elegant balance, with deft use of oak.

This medium-bodied and elegant wine is the ideal pairing for grilled fish, shellfish or oysters.

### VINTAGE NOTE

The 2018 vintage was a dry and relatively cool vintage at Le Bonheur. Yields were relatively low, but quality made up for this, with crisp natural acidity, ample citrus flavours and well balanced Chardonnay.

### WINE ANALYSIS

ALCOHOL CONTENT : 13.5% Alc/Vol.

ACIDITY : 5.7 g/L

PH : 3.44

RESIDUAL SUGAR : 2.3g/L

Allergenes : contains sulfites



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