

DAVID NIEUWOUDT GHOST CORNER

ELIM SOUTH AFRICA

SAUVIGNON BLANC 2015

A unique Sauvignon blanc that cannot be compared to any other. Powerful concentrated layers of green figs and gooseberries, with a touch of grapefruit, fynbos and a steely minerality on the palate. A reflection of the cool maritime climate of Elim where the grapes are sourced. Lees contact during the winemaking process creates length and richness on the aftertaste, which will progress even more over the next 2 or 3 years. This wine can stand its own against any great seafood or poultry dishes.

----- VINEYARDS & VINIFICATION -----

Facing:	South
Soil types:	Bokkeveld Slate, Koffieklip and Gravel
Age of vines:	14 years, Elim Ward
Vineyard area:	20 ha
Yield per hectare:	7 t/ha
Trellised:	Extended 6 wire Perold
Irrigation:	Supplementary
Clone:	SB10, SB159, SB316 on Richter 99
Harvest date:	30 January - 27 February 2015
Degree balling at harvest:	Early morning hand harvested at 21.5 - 23.5°B
Vinification:	Reductive style, cold crushed at 8°C, skin contact for 6 hours, only free run juice used, settle for 3 days at 10°C; fermented for 21 days at 12°C with selected yeast strain; lees contact for 5 months, tank bâtonnage weekly
Optimum drinking time:	2-5 years after release

----- ANALYSIS -----

Alcohol	13.37% vol	TA	6.6g/l
Sugar	2.7g/l	pH	3.40

----- ACCOLADES -----

Stephen Tanzer - USA '17: 91 points – 2015 vintage
NWC/Top 100 SA Wines '17: Double Gold – 2015 vintage
Vertias '16: Double Gold – 2016 vintage
IWSC '16: Silver Outstanding – 2015 vintage
NWC/Top 100 SA '16: Top 100/Double Silver – 2015 vintage
Decanter World Wine Awards '16: Gold – 2015 vintage
Concours Mondial du Sauvignon '16: Gold – 2015 vintage
Veritas '15: Double Gold – 2015 vintage
SA Terroir Wine Awards '15: Top Sauvignon Blanc – 2015 vintage
Michelangelo Wine Awards '15: Silver – 2015 vintage
Platter SA Wine Guide '16: Five Star – 2014 vintage
Michelangelo International Wine Awards '14: Silver – 2014 vintage
IWSC '15: Silver – 2014 vintage
Decanter World Wine Awards '15: Silver – 2014 vintage
Sommelier Wine Awards '15: Bronze – 2014 vintage
International Wine Challenge '15: Bronze – 2014 vintage
Michelangelo International Wine Awards '14: Silver – 2013 vintage
Decanter World Wine Awards '14: Silver – 2013 vintage
Platter SA Wine Guide '15: 4.5 Star – 2013 vintage
Robert Parker '14: 88 Points – 2013 vintage
Michelangelo International Wine Awards '12: Silver – 2012 vintage



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