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GHOST CORNER

ELIM SOUTH AFRICA

SAUVIGNON BLANC 2017

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:	15 years, Elim Ward
Vineyard area:	20 ha
Yield per hectare:	9 t/ha
Trellised:	Extended 6 wire Perold
Irrigation:	Supplementary
Clone:	SB10, SB159, SB316 on Richter 99
Harvest date:	8 February - 1 March 2017
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 2 days at 10°C; fermented for 21 days at 12°C with selected yeast strain; lees contact for 4 months, tank bâtonnage weekly
Optimum drinking time:	2-5 years after release

----- ANALYSIS -----

Alcohol	13.8% vol	TA	6.6g/l
Sugar	2.5g/l	pH	3.50

----- ACCOLADES -----

SAWi Awards '18 - Platinum: 100 points

SAWi Awards '17 - Grand Slam: 100 points

SAWi Awards '17 - Top Ranking Sauvignon Blanc: 3rd Position

IWSC '18: Silver – 2017 vintage

Platter SA Wine Guide '19: 4.5 Star – 2017 vintage

Vertias '18: Silver – 2017 vintage

Tim Atkin '18: 93 – 2017 vintage

Walker Bay and Cape Agulhas Districts Terroir Awards '18: Top Sauvignon Blanc – 2017 vintage

Old Mutual Trophy Wine Show '18: Bronze – 2017 vintage

Concours Mondial de Bruxelles '18: Silver – 2017 vintage

Decanter World Wine Awards '18: Silver – 2017 vintage

Platter's Wine Guide '18: 5 stars – 2016 vintage

Tim Atkin '17: 93 points – 2016 vintage

Stephen Tanzer - USA '17: 91 points – 2015 vintage

Decanter Wine World Awards '17: Silver – 2016 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



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