

Comments of a Bon Vivant:

Summer vibes, with friends that enjoy an ultra premium Chardonnay that rivals top Burgundy wines. Enjoy with grilled salmon, noble fish in cream sauce, grilled white meats.

Neil Ellis Elgin Whitehall Chardonnay



Neil Ellis is considered to be one of the most influential pioneers of the modern-day South African wine industry. His vision, the pursuit of quality, extended out of the cellar and into the vineyards where varieties would excel and best express a particular style of wine reflective of their environment. Today, the experience and knowledge of the past are applied to modern techniques and technologies for a new generation of winemaking. The team at Neil Ellis Wines, which includes Neil's daughter and two sons in leading roles, believes in responsible environmental practices. They are committed to respecting the soil, cutting water use, recycling and reducing energy use and greenhouse emissions. They are a member of the IPW, a voluntary environmental sustainability program, and comply to their regulations. In addition, they are a proud member of South Africa's WIETA and the Cape Winemaker's guild with its Protégé program, demonstrating the family's commitment to ethical work practices and the promotion of the industry's diversity program.

Vibe: *Summer*Emotions/Occasions: *Excitement Friends*



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SKU: 830590	
Region	Cape South Coast
Classification	Elgin
Vintage	2024
Grapes	100% Chardonnay
Soil Composition	White mineral sandstone and quartz on a clay sub-base
Vineyard Training	Trellised
Density/Yield	40 hl/ ha
Fermentation	100% barrel fermented in used barrique. Malolactic fermentation of 25% of the wine in used barrique. Maturation for 9 months in French oak.
Alcohol	13%
Residual Sugar	3.0 g/l
РН	3.2 g/l
TA	6.4 g/l
Free SO ²	49 mg/l
Total SO ²	124 mg/l

VITICULTURE

The fruit for this Chardonnay is sourced from high-altitude vineyards in the Elgin Valley, near the historic Whitehall farm. Elgin is one of South Africa's premier cool-climate winegrowing regions, where elevated sites experience lower average temperatures, frequent morning mists, and long growing seasons.

These conditions promote slow, even ripening, allowing for excellent acid retention and the gradual development of complex aromas and flavors. The vineyards are meticulously managed to encourage balanced canopies and moderate yields, resulting in fruit with outstanding natural purity and freshness. The unique combination of elevation, climate, and precision viticulture makes Elgin an ideal origin for refined, expressive Chardonnay.

SALES FACTS:

- Member of South Africa's IPW program
- Member of Wine & Agricultural Industry Ethical Trade Association (WIETA)
- Combining European traditions with the diversity of South African terroirs