



“ A perfect representative of an area that has become one of the premier regions for world-class Chardonnay – complexity and elegance in the glass. ”

NEIL ELLIS — WHITEHALL ELGIN 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. “Our vision remains to make distinctive, refined wines that are expressive of their terrain and rank amongst South Africa’s finest. A pursuit of quality, nothing less.”

Still very much involved in the active operation of the winery, Stephanie and Neill Ellis are joined by their children Warren (Chief Enologist), Charl (Commercial Director), and Margot (Brand Management). The team at Neil Ellis Wines 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.

The Vineyard

A mere 10km from the ocean, this valley benefits from cold winters with abundant rainfall, followed by cool South Easterly sea breezes in the summer. The cool summers allow for a longer ripening period which produces grapes with concentration, fruit intensity and elegant tannins. The soils range from white mineral sandstone and quartz soils known as Table Mountain sandstone to deep red clay soils from the parent rocks of Kouebokkeveld shale and koffiekliip. Average altitude 300 metres.

Sustainable Practices (under the IPW guidelines)

Respect The Soil: Plant cover crops between rows to eliminate erosion, manual harvest to minimize soil compaction, following organic principles to avoid the use of chemicals, and drip irrigation for the most efficient use of water resources.





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SKU:	830590
Region:	Western Cape/Elgin
Classification:	Wine of South Africa
Vintage:	2018
Grapes:	100% Chardonnay
Vineyard:	Selected south facing hill side vineyards
Soil Composition:	White mineral sandstone and quartz on a clay sub-base
Vineyard Training:	Trellised
Density/Yeild:	40 hl/ ha
Fermentation:	Temperature controlled in new to third passage barrique
Aging:	Nine months on fine lees in barrique
Alcohol:	13.0%
Residual Sugar:	3.0 g/l
PH:	3.2 g/l
TA:	6.4 g/l
Free SO2:	49mg/l
Total SO2:	124mg/l

Tasting Note:

Attractive aromas of lemon zest, pear, and white flowers. Tightly structured palate with a mouth-watering acidity, balanced by subtle oak undertones. A fine mineral edge with a balanced richness. Elegant and long finish.

Pairing suggestion:

Grilled salmon, noble fish in cream sauce, grilled white meats and pork, roasted vegetables.