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Wine: **Morgenhof Chardonnay 2018 Vt**

Country: *South Africa*

Region: *Simonsberg - Stellenbosch*

Producer: *Anne Cointreau*

Vintage: *2018*

Colour: *White*

Grape Variety: *100% Chardonnay*

Status: *Still*
Sustainable environmental management
Suitable for vegetarians and vegans
No dairy products or eggs used during production

Allergens: *contains sulphites*

Dry/Sweet: *1 (1 is dry, 7 is very sweet)*
abv: 14.0% - bottle size: 75cl



Tasting Note

On the nose this wine has flavours of pear, passion fruit and pineapple. These tropical flavours follow through onto a creamy palate with subtle wood integration and a long, lingering finish.

Winery information:

Morgenhof Estate is situated in the Stellenbosch region of South Africa. The 213 hectare estate is located on the slopes of the Simonsberg mountain where 78 hectares are planted to vineyards. The vineyards are dry farmed and worked to allow the myriad of different terroirs found on the farm to express themselves in the finished wines.

Morgenhof Estate red is its flagship wine, a blend inspired by the wines of Bordeaux. It is a blend dominated by Merlot and Cabernet produced in an elegant, mineral style with good cellaring potential. The Estate's reds are complimented by a Chenin Blanc from a venerable old vineyard, a Chardonnay and a Sauvignon Blanc.

The Estate has a long history. It was founded in 1692 and over the following three centuries changed hands several times. In 1993 the current owner Anne Cointreau bought the estate. Anne brought a wealth of knowledge and experience with her from France's Cognac where her family can trace their involvement in viticulture back to 1210.

In 1995 a newly constructed underground, octagonal cellar was completed. It was built so that Morgenhof's wines have the perfect conditions to age and develop. During construction 10 000 cubic metres of soil was excavated and afterwards a formal garden created above the cellar.

In 2016 Morgenhof re-designed its labels, the new look wines will be introduced as new vintages are released.

*The Region
Stellenbosch, Western Cape*

Stellenbosch wine region is located in the Western Cape by the historic town of Stellenbosch. It is one of South Africa's most established wine growing regions and sought after for its mountainous terrain, varied, deep soils and plentiful rainfall.

The region is divided into several sub-regions and Morgenhof is located within Simonsberg-Stellenbosch, which is known for its high quality, ageworthy reds. Here the vineyards are dominated by the Simonsberg Mountain which lies between Stellenbosch and Paarl.

Vineyards

The 78 hectares vineyards at Morgenhof Estate are dry farmed and worked to allow the myriad of different terroirs found on the farm to express themselves in the finished wines. They are planted in soils that are predominantly decomposed granite and eroded shale. On the Chardonnay blocks vilafontés soils are found which are medium to heavy textured soils

The vineyards are at an altitude of 250-300 metres..

The average age of the vines are 15 years old. The grapes are hand picked the harvest is picked at 50 hl/ha

Vinification:

The grapes are de-steamed and crushed, fermented in Burgundy French Oak Barrels matured for 9 to 10 months, fined (110 micron) and bottled

Food Recommendation:

Aperitifs, - Seafood - Salads

