The beautiful Bredekloof forms the base of Bruce Jack's wines



# Chenin Blanc 2021

Western Cape, South Africa

#### **ESTATE**

Bruce Jack launched his namesake brand in 2018 after already proving himself as one of the brightest stars in South African wine today. He has decades of global winemaking experience, including time in Australia, New Zealand and America. He incorporates a multi-faceted approach to his craft, drawing on the styles of notable regions without ever attempting to mimic. Rigorous site selection and sampling gives him plenty to work with and only the finest juice makes it into bottle. The wines detailed below are typical for South Africa: Chenin Blanc, Sauvignon Blanc, Pinotage, Malbec. Atypical is the incredibly high attention to detail in each wine. Juicy, zesty, invigorating, powerful - all without ever feeling heavy handed or unfocused; this is the unique skill that Bruce brings to his wines.

#### WINE

Nervy, yet balanced is an apt way to describe Bruce Jack's vigorous Chenin Blanc. Sourced from the best fruit in Bredekloof, the Chenin is 100% destemmed with only free-run juice being used – a remarkable fact given the incredible value. Bountiful tropical fruits of pineapple, papaya and mango lead the way, with a fresh squeezed lime character finishing the immensely clean and refreshing palate.

### VINEYARD

Bruce Jack Wines sources from several of the most prestigious location across the Western Cape, with their base being in the heart of the South African wine world: Bredekloof. The vineyards in the valley of Bredekloof benefit from mountains providing morning shade and a moderate amount of rainfall, providing fresh fruit quality and bright acidity. With access to such a wide range of grapes, Bruce is able to cherry pick the best of the bunch for his eponymous label.

## WINEMAKING

Variety: 100% Chenin Blanc

Fermentation: Only free run juice is used, fermentation mixed between stainless steel and French oak depending on the site selections

Aging: Stainless steel for several months

Alcohol: 13%

#### VINTAGE

A long, moderate growing season was a welcome respite for the growers in South Africa. Both yields and quality were up, with wines showing particularly fresh and jubilant.