



2017 Curator's Sauvignon Blanc

The rich tapestries of passionate people interwoven with insightful custodians have shaped and continue to develop Glen Carlou Vineyards. A splendid storyline supports our desirable reputation of being a trusted, highly awarded and respected wine brand.

Our farm is situated in the Simonsberg Mountain foothills in the Paarl region of the Western Cape and encompasses a variety of slopes and aspects. Of the current 31 blocks planted, each is nurtured according to its own unique potential, respecting the natural cycles of the vines. A vineyard replanting programme is currently underway so as to be adding five hectares per year. Hardier, tougher drought resistant rootstocks and new varietal clonal selections are being planted.

Our 145 hectare property transferred back to local ownership when in 2016 Glen Carlou was purchased by a South African family consortium. Whilst the management team has remained largely unchanged, the excitement for the years ahead is driven by our new winemaker Johnnie Calitz.



Wine of Origin	Darling
Wine Analysis	Alc. 14.% R.S. 3.4g/l T.A. 6.5g/l pH 3.38
Vinification	Naturally fermented in a cement clay Nomblot egg from hand picked grapes off a steep slope only accessible by foot. The abnormally dry growing season resulted in concentrated berries with a clear mineral focus. Only free run juice was used with reductive winemaking practices.
Optimum Drinkability	Drink now; suitable to bottle age up to 3 years from vintage
Winemaker's Tasting Note	<p>"Well balanced acidity supported by a flavourful full bodied mouthfeel. The wine has a steely minerality with gooseberry and asparagus undertones. Only 1360 bottles were produced from fruit grown under dry land conditions from a single bush vine block on the outskirts of Darling."</p> <p>Johnnie Calitz</p>