

## Collection Sauvignon Blanc/Semillon 2021



Glen Carlou is situated in the Simonsberg-Paarl region of South Africa's Western Cape.

Our vineyard blocks encompass a variety of slopes and aspects - each is nurtured according to its own unique potential, respecting the natural cycles of the vines.

Our 145 hectare property transferred back to local ownership when in 2016, Glen Carlou was purchased by a South African family consortium.

Significant investments have been made for the vineyard replanting programme, one of several initiatives implemented since the change in ownership. Robust drought resistant rootstocks and new clones are being planted to increase the hectares under vine.

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

Wine of Origin	Groenekloof
In the Vineyard	Sourced from single vineyard dryland bush vines, both the Sauvignon Blanc and Sémillon batches originate in the higher-lying areas of Darling's Groenekloof. The influence of the Atlantic Ocean contributes to a cooler climate with the predominantly shale soil supporting the growing of expressive and flavourful grapes.
In the Cellar	Both varietals fermented naturally and were kept separate in seasoned 225 litre French oak barrels. After fermentation the wines were blended and transferred back to barrel for 6 months. Blended to optimise the Sauvignon Blanc characteristics of gooseberry and strong mineral core with Sémillon's provocative floral, white pear and citrus blossom notes.
In the Glass	"Compelling complexity from the Sauvignon Blanc with blackcurrant leaf, passionfruit and hints of green pepper. A slight saltiness on entry dissipates as Sémillon's creaminess edges forward and is enjoyed through to the lingering aftertaste. The multifaceted and finely balanced mouthfeel enlivens the palate with undertones of fresh yellow gooseberries and just about to be ripe watermelon". Johnnie Calitz (winemaker)

Alc. 14% R.S. 2.1g/l T.A. 5.4g/l pH 3.62