

Keermont

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Keermont Fleurfontein 2017

The KEERMONT FLEURFONTEIN (*flower fountain*) derives its name from a beautiful spring on the farm near the Sauvignon blanc vineyard from which the grapes are sourced. Raisins are produced by pinching the stem of the grape bunches while they ripen on the vine. This stops the translocation of fluids into and out of the grapes and allows them to dry naturally during the warm summer. The raisins are harvested a few weeks later and the syrupy juice is squeezed from them with a hard pressing process. The syrup is fermented by indigenous yeast in Hungarian and French oak barrels and is left to mature for 18 months. Total production was 3500 bottles. All grapes used in producing this wine were grown on Keermont Vineyards and bottling was carried out by hand in our cellar.

Tasting note: *Pure yellow gold in colour, the 2017 Fleurfontein exudes aromas of kiwifruit, dried apricot, and citrus with hints of Hazelnut and Vanilla. The palate is full and creamy with concentrated flavours of dried fruits and marzipan. A central core of acidity gives the wine a long, complex, and focused succulent finish with a slightly salty touch. Drink now through to 2030.*

Previous Releases:

- Fleurfontein 2015:** 95pts Tim Atkin; 94pts Neal Martin (Wine advocate)
Fleurfontein 2014: 94pts Neal Martin (Wine advocate)
Fleurfontein 2013: Jancis Robinson 16.5; Listed British Airways First Class
Fleurfontein 2012: 91pts Neal Martin (Wine advocate); 94pts Tim Atkin MW; Listed British Airways First Class; 4.5 Stars Platter Wine Guide 2015
Fleurfontein 2010: 92pts Neal Martin (Wine advocate); 4 Stars Platter Wine Guide 2012

Vintage notes:

2017 was a very good growing season on Keermont. Despite a drier than usual winter, we had strong growth in the vineyards during the spring time. This led to the formation of a good healthy crop which ripened evenly during the warm, dry summer. Harvest started fairly early, but was put on hold after a heavy rainfall. This perked the vines up and allowed for extended ripening which definitely raised the quality. We recorded one of our largest and healthiest crops yet.

Analysis

WINE	Alc %	pH	TA g/L	RS g/L	TSO ₂ mg/L	VA g/L
Fleurfontein 2017	11%	3.59	6.3	268	228	1.72

Block	Variety	Rootstock	Planted	Yield
Low Road	Sauvignon blanc	101-14Mgt	2005	5.0 tons/Ha

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