

SAVAGE NEVER BEEN ASKED TO DANCE CHENIN BLANC 2024

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\$84.99

Product Code:	32007	Closure:	Cork
Country:	South Africa	Unit:	Each
Region:	Western Cape	Volume:	750ml
Style:	White	Alcohol:	13.0%
Variety:	Chenin Blanc	Grape:	100% Chenin Blanc



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TASTING NOTES

A layered and complex Chenin Blanc, sourced from an old and once-neglected vineyard, now revitalized and making profound Chenin Blanc.

Chenin Blanc from 68-year-old dry farmed bush vines grown on decomposed granite soils in Paarl. Grapes were whole bunch pressed with oxidative juice handling before a natural fermentation and malolactic fermentation, followed by 10 months ageing in old 600 litre Stockinger barrels.

95/100 Christian Eedes, winemag.co.za (2024 Vintage)

"Chenin Blanc from a Paarl vineyard planted in 1956. Fermented and matured for 10 months in old 600-litre barrels. Top notes of herbs and thatch before citrus, peach and a hint of reduction. Super-rich yet brimming with vitality – full of flavour and texture, moderate acidity, a gently savoury finish. Nothing sweet or ingratiating."

94/100 Tim Aitkin MW (2024 Vintage)

"Never Been Asked To Dance comes from a 1956 vineyard on the frontier between Paarl and Stellenbosch and is a Chenin Blanc that speaks of its granite terroir. Yeasty, savoury and waxy, it has some tannic backbone, flavours of yellow apple, citrus and oatmeal and the underlying concentration of its old-vine source."

92/100 Neal Martin, Vinous.com, October 2025 (2024 Vintage)

"The 2024 Never Been Asked to Dance is pure Chenin from the fourth oldest vines in the Cape that, at one time, were going

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to be pulled out, whole bunch pressed and aged in 600-litre Stockinger barrels. This is compelling on the nose with yellow fruit, dried honey and light chamomile scents that blossom in the glass. The palate is taut and fresh, more about the texture than overt fruit flavours, with light touches of stem ginger and a linear finish. Very fine, but give it time in bottle."

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