



DIE OUWINGERDREEKS



VINEYARD	Trekpoort Kloof in the Olifants River Region
GRAPES	Semillon Blanc, Semillon Gris <i>Local synonym: Groendruif</i>
SOILS	Decomposed Table Mountain sandstone
AGEING POTENTIAL	5 -15 years
AVERAGE YIELD	17 hl/ha

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Named for the striking tree aloes near the old vineyard it comes from.

The vineyard was planted in the 1930s, with a mix of standard Semillon and a red-berried form of the grape once common in the Cape and probably unique to this country, but now almost vanished. Both versions used to be called "Greengrape".

This is one of the most pristine old vineyards we know. No herbicides or artificial fertilisers have been used on it, and it has been perfectly pruned over the years. The downside is that it is a small and low-yielding vineyard.

The white and the red Semillon (in an approximately 70:30 proportion) ripen at the same time and are picked and pressed together. The precious juice is taken from the basket press in buckets to an old cask for natural fermentation, and spends 18 months on its lees before being bottled from the cask.

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Unfined and unfiltered – decanting recommended.

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