

WINE OF ORIGIN
WALKER BAY

Benguela Cove
LAGOON WINE ESTATE

VINOGRAPHY

TR3S Chardonnay

100% ESTATE GROWN


Johann Fourie, Winemaker



IN THE VINEYARDS

Vinography encapsulates the spirit of our cool climate where the ocean meets ancient soils. It represents a journal kept by both nature and winemakers on the Benguela Cove Wine Estate and highlights unique characteristics of the vineyard that became instrumental in shaping the wine. This wine combines optimal vintage parcels of individual vineyards to create a flagship Chardonnay with a complex profile.

Slope: Adjacent west facing vineyards

Soil: Weathered shale with very high calcium content

Clone: CY277 & CY96

IN THE CELLAR

TR3S spans three exceptional Benguela Cove vintages – 2023 (15%), 2024 (35%), and 2025 (50%) – carefully selected and blended to express both immediacy and longevity. The result is a wine that shows how Chardonnay can age with poise, developing savoury depth without ever losing its brightness or clarity of fruit. A poised and concentrated palate with fine, balanced acidity and a creamy, luxurious texture. Fresh citrus and stone fruit glide effortlessly alongside nougat, cashew, and savoury complexity, creating depth without weight. The finish is long, polished, and quietly powerful.

Oak maturation: Spans over 3 vintages

Barrel: French 300L's

Production: 640 bottles

Ageing potential: 2027 - 2031

WINE ANALYSIS

Alc: 13.5% | **pH:** 3.38 | **TA:** 6.4 g/l | **RS:** 3.3 g/l

CHARACTER

In the glass, TR3S opens with luminous notes of lemon, white peach, grapefruit, melon, and nectarine, gradually unfolding into layers of roasted hazelnut, brioche, oyster shell, nougat, and cashew. Hints of spice and lanolin whisper of time spent evolving, while oak remains beautifully invisible – fully absorbed into the wine's fabric.

PERSONALITY

Born from the estate's most expressive Chardonnay parcels and guided by the vision of Chief Winemaker Johann Fourie, this rare multi-vintage wine brings together youth and maturity in a single, seamless expression. TR3S is not tied to one harvest, but to an idea: that Chardonnay, when given patience and precision, can reveal far more than a single moment ever could. Inspired by the blending philosophy of reserve sparkling wines and the quiet wisdom of the solera system, TR3S captures the fresh, vibrant energy of young Chardonnay alongside the depth, savoury complexity, and textural grace of wines shaped by age. It is Benguela Cove Chardonnay seen from every angle – a true 360-degree view.

BEST TO ENJOY

Its seductive personality makes it a great choice for hearty foods.

“The name TR3S carries layered meaning – referring to the three vintages that form the blend, while also acting as an intensifier denoting authenticity, significance, and quality. Produced in extremely limited quantities. TR3S represents a meeting of time and place, blending the wisdom of maturity with the energy of the present in one complete expression. This limited-release wine reflects Benguela Cove's dedication to white wine excellence and the visionary approach.”

 Cellar Master, Johann Fourie