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YIN & YANG

Opposites Attract In Graham Beck's Captivating New Duo

OFFICIAL PRE-RELEASE

Following the release of the Extended Lees Ageing, an exciting new “double bill” dubbed Yin & Yang, has made its debut in the exclusive Artisan Collection range.

This collection represents an advanced tier and the creative playground for this skilled team of Cap Classique craftsmen, where they can unveil the artistic ingenuity of artisanal, terroir-driven winemaking.

Yin & Yang captures the spirit of Graham Beck's meticulous attention to detail and dedication to innovation and the evolution of the bubble.

In early May 2016 Cellarmaster Pieter Ferreira and Winemaker Pierre de Klerk embarked on their final classification tasting of the year's base wines. Pierre created an astonishing final blend of 60% Pinot Noir and 40% Chardonnay, with a delicate blush colour. Both vintners were elated with this particular fusion of these two fundamental and timeless bubbly cultivars.

Pieter suggested to also look at a mirror image of the blend by using the same components, but with Chardonnay in the lead role. They sampled the two blends in black glasses (the ultimate test for any taster, compelling the taster to focus on the intrinsics, without being influenced by the appearance).

The results? They loved both blends – giving rise to the genesis of Yin & Yang.

The nature of yin-yang lies in the harmonious interchange and interplay of the two varieties. The two ‘forces’ of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir are opposing, yet completely complementary to one another in Cap Classique blending. Yin (Pinot Noir) displays an inward earthly energy, which contributes complexity and structure, while Yang (Chardonnay) displays an outward heavenly energy, characterised by supreme elegance and finesse.

With its charming salmon pink hue and vibrant red berry and blackcurrant aromas, Yin exudes notes of warm, savoury allspice and features great length on the palate. Yang delights with tinges of sun-kissed apricot and rich, ripe citrus aromas, while the palate boasts a vibrant entry, together with delectable nuances of juicy yellow fruit and lemon zest.



The intriguing and alluring appeal of this dynamic duo is the fact that there simply is no right or wrong which becomes clearer when you taste them side by side – proving that opposites can co-exist and complement each other.

Yin & Yang will only be available to purchase in a pair, packaged in an attractive two-pack gift box, or, alternatively, there will be three of each duo in a case of six (bottles). This duo is produced in extremely niche quantities and as a loyal supporter of Graham Beck's finest, you have been granted first-access to the 2016 Cuvée Yin and 2016 Cuvée Yang prior to the official release date of October 2021.

We invite you to be one of the first to indulge in the maiden vintage of this exhilarating new endeavour and to be inspired.

Perfection takes time. But it is worth the wait.

Bubbly greetings,
The Graham Beck Team

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