



DE KRANS

CALITZDORP

De Krans Sparkling Alcohol Free Muscat Nectar

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Grape varieties: Muscat de Frontignan,
Muscat de Alexandrie
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Background

De Krans is situated along the upper reaches of the picturesque Gamka River Valley near Calitzdorp. The history of the farm dates back to 1890 when the current owners' great grandfather bought part of the first farm established in Calitzdorp, named *Buffelsvallei* ("Buffalo valley") on the edge of the municipal boundary of Calitzdorp.

The first grapes were planted in 1936 mainly for the production of raisins and some sweet wine. In 1964 the present cellar was built and De Krans quickly became well-known for quality ports and Muscat sweet wines, as well as dry table wines.

The current owners and winemaker now take advantage of the unique Calitzdorp terroir to produce great quality products from a whole range of interesting grape varieties.

Vineyards

Old low yielding vineyards planted in fertile Gamka sandy loam soils are harvested at the beginning of to mid-January. Grapes are picked at low sugars to ensure maximum fruit flavours.

Production

The grapes are harvested early morning to ensure cool temperatures. After the grapes are destemmed and crushed the juice is left on the

skins for a short period. No fermentation has taken place. CO₂ added just before bottling to create this Muscat Nectar.

Cellar master's comments

Colour: Beautiful light green-yellow colour with fine bubbles.

Bouquet: Fresh tropical fruit flavours of litchi and apricot, enhanced by beautiful muscat flavours.

Taste: Tropical fruit, muscat and some spice on the taste, with fine bubbles and a good acidity to make a well-balanced product.

Food pairing

Great on its own or served with fresh summer salads, cold meats or light meals. Also makes for an interesting pairing with mild curries. Serve chilled.

Chemical analysis

Alcohol: Less than 0.05%
pH: 3.01
TA: 6.5g/l
RS: 12g/100ml

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