



Tasting Notes

Aroma Profile

Africa's only indigenous red wine cultivar from parent grapes Pinot Noir and Hermitage (Cinsault). Stylistically we focus on the fruit and characteristics of the Pinot Noir. An elegant, well rounded wine with soft juicy tannins, the nose offers sweet spices, cassis and ripe berries, sugared orange peel, rooibos and a smoky charcuterie character, which follows through onto the palate, with a savoury lingering aftertaste.

Terroir

Rooted in deep decomposed granite over clay soils on the slopes of the Helderberg Mountain, the vineyards enjoy the refreshingly cool breezes from False Bay (Atlantic Ocean) during the hot summer days, and cool mountain winds during the evening, resulting in even ripening of the berries.

Viticulture

The vineyards are meticulously cared for by hand with an average age of 40 years and the crop is reduced to ensure maximum quality. Organic and biodynamic practices are employed by not using any pesticides, herbicides or chemical sprays.

Vinification

Grapes were handpicked and sorted, before being partially fermented in small bins and the balance in stainless steel tanks. Native yeast fermented (no commercial yeast added) for ± 14 days and barrel-matured in specially selected combination of 20% new and 80% matured French oak barrels for 16 months.

Origin

Stellenbosch

Winemaker – Jasper Raats & Hendrien de Munck

Alc: 14.14% ; **RS:** 1.3 g/l ; **TA:** 5.4 g/l ; **pH:** 3.68

Awards

New Release (2017 Vintage – Platter 4 stars, Tim Atkin 93); 90 Tim Atkin MW 2019; Top 100 & Double Platinum National Wine Challenge/SA Wine Awards 2019