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STELLENBOSCH

900 Series Merlot 2015

VINIFICATION

Wine maker
description

A complex three-barrel limited release of multi-clone Merlot from our best vineyard sites. A dark full-bodied wine with ripe plum, white pepper, cacao, liquorice and blackcurrant aromas and flavours. A savoury expression of this variety with a long lingering finish. Tight, evolving tannins suggest decanting is recommended.

Varieties

100% Merlot

Origin

Wine of Origin Stellenbosch

Vinification details

These grapes received 3 days cold maceration prior to fermentation in stainless steel tanks. Fermented at between 24-28°C for 1 and a half weeks. The wine was then moved into 225L barrels, 100% new French oak 225L barrels for 24 months maturation.

Date of bottling

15th January 2018

Analysis

pH 3.73

Total acidity 5.4g/l

Residual sugar 3.6g/l

Alcohol 15.25%

PROVENANCE

Vineyard – Da Capo, Sir Lowry's Pass, Helderberg

Soils

Granite/Tukulu (decomposed granite)/Table Mountain Sandstone

Aspect

South & south West

Area

Merlot – 8 Ha

Predominant wind

SE Summer/NW Winter

Date of planting

Merlot – 1999

Clones

Merlot – MO343 & MO12, MO181 & MO192, MO3

Balling at picking

Merlot – 24.2°B



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