

# J. Joostenberg



## FAMILY BLEND 2015

This is a medium-bodied, blended red wine made for family and friends. It's a wine for any occasion and drinks well with or without food. The wine is certified as "organic" by the European based auditors, Control Union.



### VINEYARDS

Our vineyards lie on the south western edge of the Paarl region. The climate is Mediterranean - i.e. cold, wet winters and dry summers. Soils are a combination of decomposed granite and Malmesbury shale. In order to optimize the influence of terroir, all of the vineyards are managed according to organic principles and some are farmed without any irrigation. Vine age varies from 13 to 16 years. The 2015 vintage was characterized by low rainfall, little wind and very healthy growing conditions. This resulted in flavorful wines with soft tannins.



### VINIFICATION

The grapes were hand-picked, de-stemmed, lightly crushed and then fermented in small open-topped tanks. The varietals were harvested and fermented separately. After 10 months maturation in a combination of seasoned oak barrels and stainless steel tanks, the various batches were blended and the wine was bottled..



### VARIETIES

Syrah/Shiraz	91%
Mourvedre	5%
Viognier	4%



### WINE ANALYSIS

Alc:	14.0%
RS:	1.4 g/l
TA:	5.6 g/l
pH:	3.64



### TASTING NOTES

A full-bodied, red wine with distinctive, plum and savoury notes.