

# Joostenberg Bakermat 2011

Bakermat, meaning "birth-place" or "cradle", is the premium red wine of the 2011 vintage at Joostenberg. By selecting our best performing un-irrigated (dry land) vineyards and by treating these vineyards with as much care and passion as possible we have created a wine that both reflects the vintage and rewards our efforts.

# **Vineyards**

All grapes were grown in our own vineyards. Soils are a combination of decomposed granite and shale. In order to optimize the influence of terroir the vineyards are managed according to organic principles and are farmed without any irrigation. This wine is certified 'in-conversion-to-organic' by Control Union.

### Vinification

The grapes were hand-picked, de-stemmed, lightly crushed and then fermented in open-topped tanks. The individual components were fermented separately and then matured in 500% French oak barrels for 6 months before being blended and returned to barrel for a further 18 months.

#### **Blend**

Cabernet Sauvignon 58% Syrah 29% Merlot 6.5% Touriga Nacional 6.5%

## **Tasting Notes**

A complex, medium-bodied wine with dark berry and savoury aroma's. The palate is characterized by well-integrated tannins and a long finish.

## Wine Analysis

Alcohol: 14.0% Residual Sugar: 1.6 g/ $\ell$  Total Acidity: 5.8 g/ $\ell$  pH: 3.67

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