

Joostenberg Family Blend "red" 2013

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 12 to 15 years.

Vinification

The grapes were all 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 seasoned oak barrels the wine was blended and then matured for a further 5 months before being bottled.

Syrah/Shiraz: 70%
Merlot: 10%
Mourvedre: 9%
Cabernet Sauvignon: 7%
Touriga Nacional: 3%
Viognier: 1%

Tasting notes

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

Wine analysis

Alcohol: 13.5% Residual Sugar: 1.9 g/ ℓ Total Acid: 4.7 g/ ℓ pH: 3.79

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