

THE DRY LAND COLLECTION

Resolve Pinotage 2020

Winemaker: Natalie Kühne
Cultivar: 100% Pinotage
Appellation: Paarl



CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol:	14.13% by vol
Residual sugar:	2.8 g/l
Total acidity:	5.6 g/l
pH:	3.67

THE RANGE

The Dry Land Collection Wines are made from grapes of dry land vineyards, which showcase the uniqueness of the wines grown in this testing terroir. The wine is made in a new world style, complex with ample fruit and structure.

THE VINEYARD

The grapes were harvested from two 13- and 26-year old vineyard blocks in the Paarl area. Harvesting took place in February at a minimum of 25° Balling in the early morning when it was still cool. The soils, a combination of decomposed granite and Malmesbury shales, are deep and strong in structure. These vineyard blocks used little to no irrigation as they primarily relied on winter rainfall.

THE WINEMAKING

After the grapes were de-stemmed, the berries were sorted and cold maceration was given for two days. The wine was fermented in stainless steel tanks for five days with regular pump-overs.

Made in a rich and complex wooded style, this wine was matured in 300-and-500 litre French and American oak barrels for eighteen months. These oak barrels were a combination of new and old, with about thirty percent of the barrels being new oak. Once bottled, the wine was aged a further twelve to eighteen months.

TASTING NOTE

It is a known fact that Pinotage vineyards flourish under dryland conditions. The dark colour, explicit aromatics and juicy structure of this wine is a testament to this traditional way of grape farming.

Colour: Deep purple

Bouquet: On the nose this wine shows a distinctive spiciness with undertones of fresh cherries and strawberry cordial.

Taste: The palate boasts ample fruit and charisma, with a luscious tannin structure that will evolve in taste and texture over the coming years.

FOOD PAIRING

This wine pairs well with tuna steak, lamb tikka masala or glazed pork ribs.

MATURATION POTENTIAL

Ready to be enjoyed now with the potential to age further for eight to ten years.

SUITABILITY FOR VEGETARIANS OR VEGANS

This is a vegan-friendly wine, suitable for both vegetarians and vegans.