

RHEBOKSKLOOF MDS 2018

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Variety 69% Mourvèdre, 18% Durif, 13% Shiraz Origin Coastal Region, Paarl, Agter-Paarl

Soil Type Mostly decomposed granite Yield Av. 6 tons per hectare

Wine Analysis **Alc** 14%

> **TA** 5,7 g/l **pH** 3,52 **RS** 3,1 g/l

VINIFICATION

Fermentation Crushed and destemmed separately into stainless steel

> tanks. Cold macerated and fermented on skins with regular pump-overs. Pressed and pumped to barrels after alcoholic fermentation. Malolactic fermentation

in barrels.

Matured in 300l French oak barrels, 30% new oak used.

Barrel Maturation Matured separately in barrels for 12 months.

Components were blended before further maturation

in barrels for six months.

Bottle Maturation Bottle matured for six months.

DESCRIPTION

An unconventional Rhone-style blend made up mostly of varietals known to be workhorses that add structure rather than aromatics. The structure is quite well padded by plush and opulent fruit, layered with a savoury black olive note. The Syrah adds an elegant floral character prominent on the back palate and lingers on the finish. The oak is integrated seamlessly into the wine, providing texture and adding character to the mid-palate with spicy notes.

TASTING NOTE

A cluster of red and dark berries explode out of the glass layered with spicy clove aromas. The palate is rich and opulent with cranberry and blackberry notes with a savoury top note of black olives and hints of sweet cardamom. The wine is firm but elegant with a velvety mouthfeel and grippy tannin on the finish.

FOOD PAIRING

This wine calls for spicy dishes.

AGING POTENTIAL

5-7 years



