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STELLENBOSCH

'RHÔNE-STYLE' BLEND 2014 SHIRAZ, MOURVÈDRE, VIOGNIER

VINIFICATION

Wine maker description	A medium to full bodied blend of Shiraz, Mourvèdre and Viognier. Aromas of ripe red cherries, lavender and white pepper. Tantalizing flavours of nougat and exotic spices dance on the palate. Smooth, velvety tannins and a long rich finish make for an elegant wine with real promise.	
Varieties	78% Shiraz, 16% Mourvèdre, 6% Viognier.	
Origin	Wine of Origin Stellenbosch	
Vinification details	The Viognier was partly fermented in stainless steel tanks and then completed fermentation and malo-lactic in 60% new French oak 225L barrels. Both red varieties received four days pre-fermentation cold maceration prior to fermentation in stainless steel tanks. The Shiraz and Mourvèdre then completed malolactic fermentation in 70% new oak 225L barrels and matured in these same barrels. The Shiraz and Mourvèdre was then blended and matured in 40% American and 60% French oak barrel for 12 months.	
Date of bottling	1 st February 2016	
Analysis	pH 3.60 Residual sugar 2.6g/l	Total acidity 5.9g/l Alcohol 14.5%

PROVENANCE

Vineyard – Da Capo, Sir Lowry's Pass, Helderberg

Soils	Granite/Tukulu (decomposed granite) / Table Mountain Sandstone
Aspect	Shiraz – North West ; Mourvèdre – North West ; Viognier – South West
Area	Shiraz - 3.67 Ha ; Mourvèdre – 1.34 Ha ; Viognier – 2.83 Ha
Trellising	Vertical Shoot Positioning
Irrigation	Drip
Predominant wind	SE Summer/NW Winter
Date of planting	Shiraz - 1999 & 2000 ; Mourvèdre – 1999 ; Viognier – 2001 & 2002
Clones	Shiraz - 9C & 21A ; Mourvèdre – MT11A ; Viognier – VR1A
Balling at picking	Shiraz – 25°B ; Mourvèdre – 24.5°B ; Viognier – 25°B



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