

De Wetshof Naissance Cabernet Sauvignon 2015 (750ml)

main variety Cabernet Sauvignon vintage 2015

analysis alc: 12.37 | ph: 3.69 | rs: 3.4 | ta: 6.0 | ts02: 24 | fs02: 79

type Red producer De Wetshof Estate

style Dry winemaker Danie de Wet

taste Fruity wine of origin Robertson

body Medium

tasting notes

This Bordeaux-style wine captures the essence of one of the world's great classical red cultivars to create a wine of elegance, power and individuality. The soil, sun and aspect of De Wetshof allows the wine to express freshness, power, elegance and a delicate plushness. Here intense dark berries, bittersweet chocolate and pencil shavings abound, while palate weight, depth of presence and a lasting finish enhance the experience of drinking a red wine of substance and pedigree.

ageing potential

2 - 4 years

blend information

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

food suggestions

A wine to savour on its own, the Naissance Cabernet Sauvignon can also be enjoyed with roast beef and lamb, fillet steak with a mushroom based sauce and hearty beef, lamb or game casseroles.

in the vineyard

Origin

Wine of Origin De Wetshof Estate, Robertson, South Africa

Climate

The Robertson Valley is characterised by cold winters and sunny summers, with an average annual rainfall of 350 - 400mm. In summer a fresh southerly breeze from the Cape Agulhas coast has a cooling effect on the vineyards, allowing the grapes to ripen evenly and in perfect balance. Nights are chilly and during summer months a mist often shrouds the vineyards until late morning.

The dry climate and the bracing breeze keep pests to a minimum, resulting in sparse spraying programmes.

Irrigation

Computerised irrigation systems linked to weather station data and the monitoring of soil moisture-content ensures the vines are given the correct amount of water needed to produce grapes of optimum ripeness and developed flavours.

Soils

An abundance of free limestone is complemented by a heavy clay component ensuring excellent water-retention. This adds complexity and structure to the wines, allowing optimum varietal expression with classic red wine flavours of dark fruit, chocolate and pencil shavings. flavours of soft grapefruit and nuts.

Vineyard Information

Age of the vines 6 - 24 years

Vines per hectare 4 500

Rootstock Richter 99, 110 101/14

Planting row 2,4m x 1m and 1,83m X 1,2m

Trellising style 6 wire fence system cordon with spur pruning.

Yield 8 tons per hectare

about the harvest

The grapes are picked in the coolness of morning, and the emphasis is on capturing powerful fruit at a full ripe stage when developed flavours of pure dark berry fruit prevail alongside soft juicy tannins. These are the characteristics needed to create a wine of structure, elegance

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in the cellar