## The Gypsy



The Gypsy 2012:

Platter's 2016 - 4½ stars National Wine Challenge 2016 – Double Platinum Gilbert & Gaillard Int. Competition - 93 points Laurium Capital Signature Red Blend Report - 91 points

*The Gypsy 2011:* Platter's 2015 - 4½ stars

The Gypsy 2010:

IWSC 2014 - Silver Top 100 SA Wine Award 2013 Tim Atkin MW - 92 points Platter's 2014 – 4½ stars Wine Spectator - 92 points

**The Gypsy 2009**: Int. Wine Review 91 points Platter's 2013 – 5 stars IWSC – Silver Wine Spectator - 92 points

**The Gypsy 2008**: Platter's 2012 – 4 ½ stars Wine Advocate Review - 90 points Wine Spectator - 91 points

Vintage Grape Varieties	:	2013 65% Grenache 35% Syrah [barrel selection – first picked fruit]
Region	:	Western Cape
Soil	:	Grenache from decomposed granite at 450m Shiraz from ancient gravels onto clay
Yield	:	2-3 tons/ha Grenache – planted 1959 6 tons/ha from Syrah – planted 1999
Analysis	:	Alc 14 % by vol TA 5.7 g/l RS 2.6 g/l pH 3.63

A hand-picked selection of the first ripest fruit, taken to the cellar and cool soaked prior to fermentation, then taken to old French oak barrels for 12 months. At this point a further selection takes place before blending and the final blend goes back to old barrels to marry and harmonise over the following 12 months. After almost 2 years languishing in a cool cellar the Gypsy is stable with the oak and intense fruit totally harmonised. A very concentrated, focussed blend with layers of deep fruit.

The character is expectedly somewhat "wild" a little brambly with hints of nutmeg, cinnamon, dark spices, with vanilla scents and a distinct, concentrated red-fruit focus. Great for laying down and keeping for at least ten years but already rewarding if allowed to breathe in a decanter.

Deliciously matched with risotto, sensuously truffled pasta. Ideal for flavoursome grills, lamb and beef.

**The Gypsy 2007**: IWSC gold Robert Parker - 93 points Florida Int Wine Challenge – Silver

*The Gypsy 2006*: Wine Spectator - 93 points

The Gypsy 2005: Best in Class (IWSC)

*The Gypsy 2004*: Wine Spectator - 90 points