



PAINTED *Wolf* WINES

The Den, Cabernet Sauvignon 2014

Tasting notes

A classy medium to full bodied wine with typical Cab flavours of black current, brambly fruit, cigar box augmented by toasty oak. The wine has a lovely rich mid mouth texture, a long fruit driven finish with grippy tannins which should begin to integrate with a few months in bottle.

The Vineyard and blend

Cabernet Sauvignon is mostly sourced from Leeuwenkuil (70%) in AgterPaarl, with 15% top quality Stellenbosch fruit and a further 15% Swartland Organic Merlot from Kasteelsig vineyard the Swartland.

Winemaking

Fermented with Bordeaux yeast strains in tank. 70% of the wine was fermented in tank with French oak staves, and then completed malolactic fermentation and maturation on staves. 15% of this wine is Cab Sauv from a top Stellenbosch site and was matured for 9 months in a selection of French and Hungarian barrels of varying age before being blended with a roughly equal portion of barrel matured Swartland Merlot matured in 100% 225 litre new tight grained French oak barrels. This wine was then put back into wood for a further 12 months

Ageing potential

This wine needs a few months to settle, and will then continue to improve over the coming 4-5 years.

Wine Analysis

Alcohol 14.2%
Residual Sugar 2.8g/l
Total Acid 5.7g/l
ph 3.6

Awards and Accolades

- Silver Outstanding - International Wine Challenge 2016

Food Suggestions

Enjoy with a variety of meat dishes such as home-made lamb burgers, sticky roasted pork belly or braised lamb shanks.



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