

The den, Cabernet Sauvignon 2017

W.O. Coastal region

Cultivars Cabernet Sauvignon 86%, Malbec 5%, Merlot 4%, Cabernet Franc 3%, Petit Verdot 2%

Analysis Alc: 13.5 | R.S: 2.36 g/l | T.A: 5.77g/l | pH 3.84

Awards and Accolades

- Double Silver – National Wine Challenge/Top 100 wines 2019

The story of this wine

The den wines are social wines to be enjoyed with friends and family. These wines are named for the den, the heart of all African wild dog communities. Flavour-packed, soft and juicy comfort wines for every day drinking.

Jenny Metelerkamp produced a fine Painted Wolf ink drawing for the label.

Tasting notes

A crowd pleasing medium to full-bodied wine with typical Cab flavours of red and black berries and cigar box augmented by toasty oak. The wine has a lovely rich mid-mouth texture, a long, fruit-driven finish with fresh acid and soft tannins.

Food suggestions

Excellent with a large variety of dishes, especially steaks, chops, home-made burgers, sticky roast pork belly and lasagne.

Ageing potential

This wine will continue to age well and can be drunk up to four years from vintage.

The Vineyard

Cabernet Sauvignon is mostly sourced from the Helderberg areas of Stellenbosch and Agter-Paarl. It is rounded off with smaller percentages of other red Bordeaux varietals.

Winemaking

Fermented with Bordeaux yeast strains in tank with French oak staves, and then completed malolactic fermentation and maturation on staves. The Bordeaux blend we used to finish this wine, was fermented in stainless steel and then spent ten months in oak barrels.

