

FOUNDATION

Our Winemaster's taste you can trust.



Cabernet Sauvignon 2012

Tradition and talent blend with passion, precision and patience at Nederburg, where classically structured wines are made with vibrant fruit flavours. Nederburg's hallmark combination of fruit and finesse continues to be rewarded around the world. The Paarl winery has earned five-star ratings for three wines in the 2012 edition of Platter's South African Wine Guide. Three five-star ratings is the highest number achieved by any producer in the new edition of the guide and Nederburg shares this distinction with two other wineries. In 2011, Nederburg was chosen as Platter's Winery of the Year, with an unprecedented five wines across the multi-tiered range earning five-star ratings. The winery brought home six gold and six best-in-class ratings from the 2011 International Wine & Spirit Competition (IWSC) in London and won two double gold and nine gold medals at the 2011 Veritas Awards, South Africa's National Wine Show. Nederburg was also awarded three trophies at the 2012 Decanter World Wine Awards. These are just some of the many accolades earned by Nederburg where hand-crafted, micro-cuvées for specialist winelovers and beautifully balanced and accessible wines for everyday enjoyment are made with equal commitment. Razvan Macici heads the team as Nederburg cellarmaster. He is supported by two winemakers who work closely under his direction. They are Wilhelm Pienaar, who produces the red wines and Wim Truter, who makes the whites.

This wine is made entirely from Cabernet Sauvignon grapes.

Foundation Collection: Our starting point is that fine wines are born in the vineyards. Superior vines, well sited and nurtured to coax the best from them, create the foundation for wines of distinction. Made for everyday enjoyment, they deliver a clear and accessible pleasure of fruit and flavour, backed by more than two centuries of skill, tradition and heritage.

The venture supplying the fruit for the Fair Selection wines, Papkuilsfontein Vineyards in the Groenekloof ward near Darling, have been highlighted for its progressive labour practices and contribution to economic empowerment in the South African wine industry. It has been certified by FLO-CERT under the Fair Label Organisation (FLO) Standards that form part of Fairtrade.

Vineyards: The grapes were sourced from vineyards in the warm Paarl and Wellington areas in the Western Cape. Planted between 1990 and 1998, the vines are grown in soil originating from decomposed granite on southerly facing slopes, situated some 50m to 100m above sea level. Grafted onto nematode-resistant rootstock Richter 99 and 110, the vines are grown under dryland conditions and, when necessary, receive supplementary irrigation from either micro- or drip-irrigation or an overhead sprinkler system.

Winemaking: The grapes were harvested by hand and machine at 22° to 23.5° Balling from mid-February until the end of March. The fruit was crushed and then cool-fermented on the skins in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks at 25° to 28°C for two weeks. Upon completion of malolactic fermentation the wine was matured in a combination of medium-toasted second-, third- and fourth-fill French and American oak barrels, for a period of approximately six months.

Cellarmaster

Razvan Macici

Winemaker

Wilhelm Pienaar

Colour

Ruby red

Bouquet: An abundance of ripe berry and dark chocolate aromas with nuances of oak in the background.

Palate: A full-bodied wine with ripe fruit and delicate oak spice flavours, firm tannins and a lingering aftertaste.

Food suggestions: An ideal partner to robust dishes from pâtés to steaks, as well as full-bodied dishes such as beef stroganoff, winter stews, roasts and mature cheeses.

Analysis

Residual sugar: 4,50 grams/litre

Alcohol: 13,89% by volume

Total Acidity: 5,56 grams/litre

pH: 3,59

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