ROODEKRANTZ

Vineyard Selection
"Hemelbosch" Bordeaux-styled Blend 2020

Vineyard

Grape Varieties: 50% Cabernet Sauvignon / 25% Cabernet Franc / 25% Merlot
Age of Vines: Multiple vineyards: 15 - 20 years
Location: Simonsberg - Stellenbosch (Cabernet Sauvignon)
Hemel-and-Aarde Valley - Hermanus (Cabernet Franc & Merlot)
Viticulture: Irrigated trellised vineyards
Soil Types: Duplex soils

Vinification

Fermentation: The grapes were hand-picked during the early hours of the morning, followed by destemming and a gentle crushing. Fermentation commenced in stainless steel tanks, with regular pumpovers. Malolactic fermentation took place in the same vessel. All three varietals were skilfully blended post secondary fermentation, showcasing the synergy between them.
Maturation: The wine matured in 4th fill French barriques for a span of 26 months, bestowing a refined texture and subtle oak nuances.
Total Production: 2700 bottles

Tasting Profile

Classic varietal aromas of bouquet garni, black fruit pastilles, graphite, tomato stew, crushed tomato leaf, and black fruits. On the palate, the wine exhibits dense tannins and a grippy, robust structure that supports the plush fruit flavours. The wine's fruit profile is beautifully balanced by a lively acidity and subtle oak nuances. A herbaceous edge lingers on the finish, enhancing the classic, elegant and refined nature of this Bordeaux-style blend.

Food Pairing

The herbaceous edge of the wine pairs beautifully with a herb-crusted rack of lamb. The dense tannins and robust structure will complement the rich, savoury profile of a Beef Wellington. The bouquet garni and black fruit aromas is a match made in heaven for a mushroom and Gruyère tart, with the wine's acidity and tannins balancing the richness of the dish. If all else fails, a grilled rump or sirloin steak, with a green peppercorn sauce, will elevate this wine to a next level.

Alc: *13.75%* • ***RS:*** *2.7 g/L* • ***TA:*** *5.2 g/L* • ***VA:*** *0.59 g/L* • ***pH:*** *3.71*

Roodekrantz is a boutique producer that specializes in crafting artisinal, site-specific wines.

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