



ROODEKRANTZ

Artisan Range

“Die Boskind” Bordeaux-styled Blend 2023



Vineyard

Grape Varieties: 50% Cabernet Sauvignon / 40% Merlot / 10% Cabernet Franc

Age of Vines: 15 – 25 years

Location: Stellenbosch (90%) / Paarl (10%)

Viticulture: Irrigated trellised vineyards

Soil Types: Stellenbosch – decomposed granite / Paarl – weathered shale

Harvest Report 2023

The 2023 vintage will be remembered for ideal weather conditions and the absence of serious heatwaves. The harvest conditions were also extremely favourable until the end of February with stellar grape quality.

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 varieties were skilfully blended post secondary fermentation.

Maturation: The wine matured in 4th fill French barriques for a span of 14 months, bestowing a refined texture and subtle oak nuances.

Total Production: 8500 bottles

Tasting Profile

The nose is intense and savoury, showing pencil shavings and tomato leaf notes, supported by dark hedgerow fruits and oak spice. An inherent earthy, dusty character weaves through the aromatics. The palate is medium-bodied with fine, granular tannins that frame the fruit beautifully. Fresh acidity provides lift, while balanced oak nuances add structure without overshadowing the wine's purity. Graphite and spice dominate the flavour profile, joined by bouquet garni and roasted coffee bean. The finish is elegant and fresh, with lingering dark berry fruit and a long, dry close.

Food Pairings

- Rosemary-and-garlic roast lamb shoulder with a rich jus
- Beef bourguignon or slow-braised beef shin
- Herb-crusted pork loin with roasted root vegetables
- Mushroom and thyme ragout over creamy polenta
- Mature hard cheeses such as aged Cheddar or Gruyère

Alc: 13.60% • RS: 2.7 g/L • TA: 5.97 g/L • pH: 3.541

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

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