



# **ORION 2021**

Inspired by the constellation Orion whose brightest star is the 'red giant' called Betelgeuse, one thousand times larger than our sun.

# **VINEYARD NOTES**

Site: Altitude: Soil Type: Age of Vines: Irrigation: Climate: North of Stellenbosch 180 meters Tukulu (decomposed granite) 16 Years Drip irrigation Cool climate

## HARVEST NOTES

Grapes were hand-picked at full ripeness in March 2021. The yield was approximately 7.7 tons per ha.

## **CELLAR NOTES**

Maceration: Fermentation: Pressing: Malolactic fermentation: Maturation: Bottled: Production: Cold soaked for 3 days Open micro fermenters Basket pressed In the barrel 24 months in 100% French oak April 2023 5007 litres

## **TASTING NOTES**

A full-bodied red blend with an intensely dark core and bright red rim. On the nose expect layers of dark berry fruit of cassis, black cherry and plum. A well-structured wine with good balance, vibrant acidity, great fruit expression and dry tannins on the finish.

## **FOOD NOTES**

A rich dish for a rich wine – Oxtail Stew with herbs and red wine on polenta. Lamb Shank on wilted spinach and mashed potato.

# **TECHNICAL ANALYSIS**

Cultivars:

Alc: Rs: pH: Ta: Appellation: 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Cabernet Franc, 9% Malbec & 4% Merlot 15% Vol 3.5 g/l 3.39 6.6 g/l Stellenbosch

