



Klipkers Red

TASTING NOTES

VINTAGE: 2020

VARIETAL: Shiraz, Cinsault

ORIGIN OF FRUIT: W.O. Paarl

Klipkers, also known as the candlewood tree, is endemic to the Paarl and Franschhoek Mountains and usually found between rock crevices. Apart from being used as firewood, several other early farming activities involved this tree. The bark was used for tanning and wagon brake-blocks. When the fruits fall among the rocks, it is eagerly consumed by the dassies (hyrax) that live there. The Klipkers tree grows scarcely above the vineyards, hence the suitable name for this exclusive name.

VINTAGE AND WINEMAKING NOTES

This blend consists of two vineyards both grown on decomposed granite and Table Mountain sandstone. The Cinsault, planted in 1954 can be seen from the nearby Shiraz vineyard on the slopes of the Paardeberg. Each vineyard was harvested separately by hand in the cool morning hours to capture the fresh flavours. The bunches were sorted and fermentation took place in stainless steel- and cement tanks and 50% whole-bunch fermented before aged in older 225l, 300l and 500l French oak barrels. The varietals were vinified individually before blending.

TASTING NOTE

Raspberry, floral and cinnamon spice in abundance on the nose. The palate suggests fresh red fruit, plums, white pepper and a spicy medium-to-full bodied mid with great length and mouthfeel.

ANALYSIS

Alc 14.5% | Residual Sugar 2.8 g/l | TA 5.2 g/l | pH 3.54

WINEMAKER

Wynand Grobler

