

STELLENBOSCH 1679

THE LEGACY 2017

VARIETALS: Cabernet Sauvignon 50%, Merlot 12.5%, Cabernet Franc 12.5%, Petit Verdot 12.5%, Malbec 12.5%.

STYLE: Full bodied, yet an elegant classic style. Deep ruby red colour with blackcurrant (cassis) and red berry flavours.

SOIL: Decomposed granite, Oakleaf, Tukulu and Clovelly soils.

AGE OF VINES: On average 14 years.

VINIFICATION: 7 days on skins in rotor fermenters at 25°C.

BARREL AGING: 24 months in new 225 litre 75% Classic and 25% Thimeo French oak from Tonnellerie Bossuet.

CLIMATE: Low rainfall, drier ripening season with cooler nights and warm, dry days during picking.

GRAPES: Smaller berries, with excellent colour and flavour intensity, harvested at optimum phenolic ripeness.

OPTIMUM DRINKING: This excellent 2017 vintage will peak from mid 2021 to 2030 when tertiary aromas will start to develop.

SERVING SUGGESTION: Serving at 16-18°C in a RIEDEL Vinum Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot glass will be the perfect match for this wine.

FOOD SUGGESTION: Game, beef and lamb dishes.

Alcohol: 14.29 % RS: 2.9 g/l pH: 3.59 Total Acid: 5.8 g/l

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OUR STORY: Legacy has many meanings but the definition of legacy applicable to this amazing journey is "something that happened or exists as a result of things that happened at an earlier time".

This tale starts way back in 1941 when an event happened which brought a few families together and unknowingly to them then, bound them together for generations to come. The families are De Vries, Sam, Cloete, Kama, Wirth, Du Bois, Huskisson, Nqanabe and Ncume. Some were producing grapes in the Koelenhof area of Stellenbosch, some played an integral part in the establishment of Koelenhof Winery in 1941 and some came to work in the winery and played a major role in the production of a variety of quality wines. All these families have been involved in the winery, and with each other, since 1941. Up to this very day the third and fourth generations of these families are still actively involved in the production of fine wines. The Legacy is the culmination of top-quality Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Malbec and Cabernet franc produced by some of these families in the finest of Stellenbosch terroirs. These grape varieties form the very special blend which characterizes the Legacy. Only new French oak barrels are used for maturing this unique wine. The creation of the Legacy pays tribute to the labour and efforts put into this wine by these families in the past, the present as well as the future generations.

A glass of Legacy will tell the story of the history and that which bound the families together for generations.