

ATLAS SWIFT

PREMIUM WINES



Shelter Cabernet Sauvignon 2020

WINEMAKER	Martin Smith
COMPOSITION	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
ORIGIN	Western Cape, mostly Wellington
AGE OF VINES	12 years
IRRIGATION	Supplemental / drip
SOIL TYPE	Ferricrete (Koffieklip) & Glenrosa
PRODUCTION VOLUME	5810 x 750ml
AGEING POTENTIAL	6 to 8 years from vintage

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

A better crop compared to 2019, owing to favourable post-harvest conditions, sufficient water for irrigation and relative moderate temperatures during ripening.

VINIFICATION

Only the healthiest berries from hand-harvested grapes made it into the small, open-top fermenters where they were fermented on the skins. During fermentation, pump-overs were performed twice a day to extract the ripe, round tannins and the maximum amount of colour pigment. To ensure that the fruit remains the primary focus, the wine was aged in 3rd and 4th fill French oak barrels in order to limit the influence of oak-derived characters.

TASTING NOTES

Deep, ruby-red hues with typical Cabernet aromas of tomato leaf, cassis, Fynbos shrub, fresh bouquet garni and a touch of graphite. The use of oalder oak ensures that the primary focus on the mid palate is aimed at the bright raspberry- and plum fruit characters. The tannins are well integrated and round. A medium-bodied wine with delicate flavours of plums, blackcurrants and fresh herbs on the dry finish.

ALC 13.86% | RS 2.40 g/l | TA 5.08 g/l | VA 0.59 g/l | pH 3.68 | FREE SO2 29 mg/l | TOTAL SO2 99 mg/l

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