

100%
ESTATE GROWN



IN THE VINEYARDS

Planted on contrasting slopes and soil types sets the bar for a layered and complex wine to arise from these Walker Bay Syrah vineyards. Poised on the shores of the Bot River Lagoon with vistas of the Atlantic Ocean, ensures a cool, temperate climate. Cool climate Syrah ripens slowly, allowing for longer hang time and subsequent structure and flavour development.

Slope: North facing vineyards | **Soil:** Iron laterites and chalk rich soils |
Clones: SH21 & SH22

CHARACTER

There is nothing shy about this wine and one is met with an abundant display of violet, plum, black figs, fruit pastilles, mulberry and warm spice. As expressive and aromatic as it is, a twist awaits on the palate with a more savoury character and mouth-filling intensity. Well-chiselled tannin and an assertive acidity concludes the wine.

PERSONALITY

As an ode to the New World, the fruit-forward Syrah aims to please those in seek of a wine with great concentration. With enough restraint, freshness and bold tannin, this wine will certainly age well, although you might be tempted to drink it straight away.

Alc: 14.5 % | **pH:** 3.41
TA: 6.0 g/l | **RS:** 2.4 g/l

IN THE CELLAR

The grapes were cooled overnight followed by both bunch- and berry sorting the next morning. After three days of cold maceration, the juice was allowed to warm up to 16 C. To enhance the intrinsic qualities of Syrah, a combination of whole bunches and destemmed berries were used, inoculated with selected yeast strains to accentuate spicy and fruity aromas. Alcoholic fermentation lasted eight days during which gentle pump overs encouraged delicate flavour and colour extraction.

Maturation: 18 months | **Oak:** 30% new French oak | **Production:** 11 barrels |
Aging potential: 8 years from vintage

BEST TO ENJOY

It's seductive personality makes it a great choice for hearty South African stews.

Lamb tagine | **Rogan Josh curry** |
Moroccan Chicken Bastilla

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Syrah can truly showcase terroir when allowed to do so by not overworking it in the winery. Our winemaking approach is to honour this unique piece of land at the Southern tip of Africa.

~ Cellar Master, Johann Fourie

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