



Cabernet Sauvignon 2020



Glen Carlou is situated in the Simonsberg-Paarl region of South Africa's Western Cape.

The vineyard blocks encompass a variety of slopes and aspects - each is nurtured according to its own unique potential, respecting the natural cycles of the vines.

Our 145 hectare property transferred back to local ownership when in 2016, Glen Carlou was purchased by a South African family consortium.

Significant investments have been made for the vineyard replanting programme, one of several initiatives implemented since the change in ownership. Robust drought resistant rootstocks and new clones are being planted to increase the hectares under vine.

The rich tapestries of passionate people interwoven with insightful custodians have shaped and continue to develop Glen Carlou. A splendid storyline supports our desirable international reputation of being a trusted, highly awarded and respected wine brand.

Wine of Origin

Paarl

In the Vineyard

This Cabernet Sauvignon has its origins in 10 different vineyard parcels within the greater Paarl appellation. The blocks are mostly found on the slopes of the Simonsberg Mountain. The diversity of the vineyard sites, within proximity of each other, makes it unproblematic to produce wines of consistent quality, year after year. All the fruit is hand harvested.

In the Cellar

Each parcel lot was handled individually until final blending, cold soaked for at least 5 days before fermentation and 12 days on the skins. Fermentation took place in medium sized open-top stainless-steel tanks with regular pump overs and inoculated with a commercial yeast promoting the fruit profile of each vineyard site. The components were aged for 16 months in predominantly 2nd fill French oak barrels.

In the Glass

"The nose indicates impressive blackcurrant aromas, with an intriguing and evolving combination of cherry and cigar box notes. Ripe blackberry and cherry flavours move through the palate, framing subtle mint and dark chocolate complexity. Finely grained richly concentrated tannins support the sheer volume and weight of fruit exploding across the palate. A lengthy plush finish is enjoyed on an integrated wine of great depth". Johnnie Calitz (winemaker)

Alc. 14.5% R.S. 4.1g/l T.A. 6g/l pH 3.62