



## Pinot Noir 2021

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

Simonsberg-Paarl

### In the Vineyard

There are 3 different vineyard blocks of Pinot Noir on our Glen Carlou estate. The trellised vines are densely planted with more than 5000 vines per hectare, comprising of the clone 113 and 115. The soil structure is primarily Glenrosa Shale with deeper Clay soils. Small yet flavourful berries are harvested from low yielding vines.

### In the Cellar

Hand-picked and sorted, the grapes were fermented under cool conditions in small open top stainless steel tanks. To retain the natural texture of the fruit, minimal intervention in the cellar was followed. Before final blending and bottling, the 20% of the cuvee was matured for 12 months in 20% new and 80% in 2nd fill 225 litre French oak barrels.

### In the Glass

"Complex and layered delicate fruit flavours provide a delightful scope of cranberry, pomegranate and raspberry facets to this light bodied style of Pinot. Light floral notes are complemented by a touch of oak, enhancing the undemanding palate with an agreeable earthy almond character. Natural bright acidity and silky tannins round off an elegant and rather special wine which is best cooled down in an icebucket or fridge when temperatures swelter outdoors". (Johnnie Calitz – winemaker)