



Pinot Noir Rosé 2022



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

Purposely planted, trellised, irrigated 15 year old Pinot Noir vineyards planted in weathered and well-drained decomposed granite soils, are the source of this *Blanc de Noir* (white from black) wine. The early ripening Pinot Noir grapes are picked before the February heat sets in - 3 separate *trie* (pickings) were undertaken to harvest only the optimally ripe fruit at the time.

In the Cellar

Destemmed hand harvested grapes entered the press at cool temperatures and were given skin contact for 5 hours, then lightly pressed and settled for 2 days at 10°C. Fermentation, over 20 days at between 12 and 13°C was completed with carefully chosen yeast strains. The winemaking process was reductive to retain and preserve Pinot Noir's delicate fruit profile.

In the Glass

"Gorgeous and tempting in the glass, light in alcohol and delicately dry in taste, the medium bodied palate is keenly balanced by an aftertaste of fresh lime and watermelon. Pronounced aromas of strawberry, citrus and passion fruit mingle on this wine which tastes as good as it looks!" (Johnnie Calitz – winemaker)

Alc. 13% R.S. 2.6g/l T.A. 5.2g/l pH 3.32