

Idiom Nebbiolo 2010

A rich noble excellent red. This Stellenbosch expression of Piedmontese varietal, Nebbiolo, from very low yielding vineyards, has typical garnet colour, a floral bouquet and subtle aromas of cinnamon and nutmeg. Tar and savoury flavours on the palate with hints of wild herbs. A firm tannin finish suggests a wine that will reward cellaring.

variety : Nebbiolo | 100 % Nebbiolo
winery : Idiom Wines
winemaker : Reino Thiart
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : alc : 14.5 % vol rs : 1.7 g/l pH : 3.82 ta : 6.0 g/l
type : Red
pack : Bottle size : 750ml closure : Cork

in the vineyard : Soils: Granite/Tukulu (decomposed granite)/Table
Mountain Sandstone
Aspect: North west
Area: 2.5 Ha
Trellising: Vertical Shoot Positioning
Irrigation: Drip
Predominant wind: SE Summer/NW Winter
Date of planting: 2003
Clones: NB1
Balling at picking: 24,1 °B

in the cellar : Grapes are hand harvested into a fermentation bin. The grapes then spend 2 days on cold maceration before being inoculated with the optimal yeast culture. Fermentation takes place anything from 7-14 days at temperatures of between 22-28°C. The grapes are then pressed through a small 50kg hand press before finishing MLF fermentation in 500L French oak barrels. The wine then matures in these 500L French barrels for anything between 12-24 months, before being lightly filtered and hand bottled.

