

Neil Ellis Vineyard Selection Grenache 2011

Vibrant crimson colour. Perfumed and spicy with rich plummy fruit. A medium bodied palate with good weight. Fine grained fruit tannins complement a rich concentrated palate.

variety : Grenache | 100% Grenache

winery : Neil Ellis Wines

winemaker : Warren Ellis

wine of origin : Piekenierskloof

analysis : alc : 14.0 % vol rs : 2.4 g/l pH : 3.5 ta : 5.4 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **wooded**

pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

2016 Wine Spectator - 92 points

in the vineyard :

These limited release wines demonstrate the distinctiveness of specific vineyard sites and represent our finest quality. The mountain vineyards of Piekenierskloof are known to produce outstanding Grenache.

Sourced from 59 year old bush vines in the Piekenierskloof.

about the harvest:

Harvest commenced on 14th March. Grapes were harvested at 24.5°B with a total acid of 7.15 g/l and a pH of 3.35.

in the cellar :

Fermentation initiated in stainless tanks and underwent a series of punch downs before completion of fermentation and malolactic fermentation in the barrel. This wine spent 18 months on 20% 1st fill and the balance was on 4th fill and older.

