

Steenberg Nebbiolo 2013

Brilliant and pomegranate red, with a brick red rim, this wine displays a range of dried herbs, lavender, rosemary and anise on the nose, balanced by the softer, white truffle tones. The palate is fresh with a medium intensity, showing juicy, red cherries and light black tea on the aftertaste. It is rich in both tannin and natural acidity which add texture to the wine and greatly aids in its longevity - the evolution of this wine over the next decade will be fascinating to watch and taste.

Earthy notes on the after taste and a good acidity makes this wine a great wine to enjoy with food, extremely well complemented by any form of mushrooms or truffles.

variety : Nebbiolo | 100% Nebbiolo

winery : Steenberg Vineyards

winemaker : JD Pretorius

wine of origin : Constantia

analysis : alc : 14.0 % vol rs : 2.3 g/l pH : 3.57 ta : 5.4 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Medium **wooded**

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

ageing : This wine will greatly reward cellaring 10 years from vintage and will develop more savoury characters as the wine evolves.

in the vineyard : Cultivar: Nebbiolo

Soil type: Clovelly / Sterkspruit

Trellising: Elongated Perold

Age of vines: 19 and 6 years

Pruning: Spur - Box pruning

Rootstock: 101 - 114 MGT

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested at a sugar level of 24.5°B

Harvested: March 2011

Yeild: 5.6 ton/ha

in the cellar : The grapes were crushed into stainless steel fermentation tanks where they fermented at 28°C for approximately 10 days. The juice was inoculated with a yeast strain selected for the development of the natural characters in the Nebbiolo grape. Two pump-overs were done per day to extract colour and tannin. The wine underwent malolactic fermentation in barrel and there-after matured in 60% second and 40% third fill 225L French oak barrels for 14 months.

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