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Flagstone Poetry Merlot 2016

This warm, rich ruby red wine shows great complexity on the nose. There is a mixture of dark red fruit, cigar box and mint aromas with well balanced wood. Sweet, spicy undertones give this wine great depth.

Poetry pairs harmoniously with ostrich fillet in red wine reduction on a wild mushroom risotto.



variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot
winery : Flagstone Wines
winemaker : Gerhard Swart
wine of origin : Western Cape
analysis : **alc :** 13.96 % vol **rs :** 4.4 g/l **pH :** 3.51 **ta :** 6.2 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fragrant **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Screwcap

This range is about the essence of the grape - openly honest and precise. Good poetry requires the perfect juxtaposition of words, and even syllables, to illuminate a moment, an emotion and even a dream.

Winemaker's Notes
Great wine requires deep, intense dedication to the land, empathy for the vine and a love of grapes. We farm in a balanced and environmentally friendly way and in the cellar the grapes are treated with fanatical attention to detail throughout the winecrafting process. The resultant aromas and flavours reflect this passion for authenticity and integrity.

What's in a Name?
Poetry is about paired-down words, making, forming, creating. It is art, the essence of language, meaning a fundamental creative act using language.
Accomplished poetry is a distillation of language so that meaning shines through. Powerful poetry is utter, it pulls no punches and is not concerned with excuses. It celebrates the joy and highlights the natural sadness of our human condition, poetry eulogises the cycle of nature. Poetry is romantic, poignant and it shows the compulsion of our heart, the engine of our ambition and the spirit of desire.

We don't expect our simple offerings to do all of this of course, but we hope our authentic work and insistence on integrity carries a message of hope and love long after the last delicious sip.

Similarly, Flagstone's Poetry is all about trying to create a precise and honest reflection of the grapes we select for this range, and we want to do this at a price that offers excellent value for money. After all, we want Poets to enjoy our work too.
This range of wines is called Poetry Collection for its balance, beauty and enjoyment.

in the vineyard : Great wine requires deep, intense dedication to the land, empathy for the vine and a love of grapes. We farm in a balanced and environmentally friendly way and in the cellar the grapes are treated with fanatical attention to detail throughout the wine crafting process. The resultant aromas and flavours reflect this passion for authenticity and integrity.

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