

Survivor Offspring Red Blend 2016

A beautifully structured, accessible blend of Syrah, Pinotage and Cabernet Sauvignon. The wine rewards with aromas and flavours of rich dark berries supported by supple tannins.

Excellent with grilled rack of lamb, meaty spaghetti bolognese or lasagne or a traditional venison pie.

variety : Shiraz | 40% Syrah, 40% Pinotage, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon

winery : Overhex Wines

winemaker : Dirk Rust

wine of origin : Western Cape

analysis : alc : 14.0 % vol rs : 4.2 g/l pH : 3.58 ta : 5.4 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fragrant

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

in the vineyard : The vineyards are planted in deep red soils with excellent water-retention, adding structure and fullness to the wines.

about the harvest: The 2016 harvest was the smallest in the last few years after a hot, dry growing season. Dryland regions such as the Swartland were among the worst affected as heatwaves continued well into October. Despite this, quality is good as the drier season resulted in healthier vineyards, smaller berries and more concentrated fruit flavours and colours.

in the cellar : The grapes were hand-harvested and after crushing allowed to coldsoak for three days before being inoculated with known yeast strains. A controlled pump-over schedule was followed to extract intense colour without harsh tannins. The wine was fermented for 8 days on the skins and malolactic fermentation commenced in tank.

