

Painted Wolf Pictus III, 2011

A rich full bodied wine which combines charm with power - red berry and spicy and a long polished finish.

Pair with warming hearty autumnal dishes such as Game pies, Beef Wellington, Osso Bucco, Braised lamb shanks or traditional South African Tomato Bredie.

variety : Shiraz | 36% Shiraz, 32% Mourvedre, 32% Grenache

winery : Painted Wolf Wines

winemaker : Jeremy Borg

wine of origin : Swartland

analysis : alc : 14.5 % vol rs : 3.8 g/l pH : 3.48 ta : 6.2 g/l

type : Red **wooded**

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

Double Gold - National Wine Challenge/Top 100 Wines 2016

Bronze - Veritas 2014

4 Stars - Platter

ageing : Pictus III will mature in bottle for 10 years or more.

Pictus is named after the scientific name for an African Wild Dog, *Lycaon Pictus*, meaning Wolf in Greek and Painted in Latin. Pictus is made with meticulous care and blended from our favourite wines of the vintage. Each vintage of Pictus is labelled with a different piece of artwork. The art work for Pictus III 'Snare and her sibling'" is by well-known Zimbabwean conservationist and artist Lin Barrie. Production is limited to 5000 bottles - one for each of the roughly 5000 rare and endangered Painted Wolves remaining in scattered groups throughout sub-Saharan Africa.

in the vineyard : Produced from organically certified grapes grown on Kasteelsig vineyard in the Swartland. This vineyard comprises red Glenrosa and Oakleaf soils, both shale rich duplex soils. Kasteelsig supplies grapes for a number of our most prestigious wines.

in the cellar : The grapes were hand sorted and crushed into small open fermenters. Wine was fermented with a blend of natural vineyard yeast and commercial strains. We hand punched down the cap a number of times per day. The finished wine was pressed in a basket press. The wine has been aged in French (80%) 225 litre and 300 litres barrels for 18 months with approximately 70% new wood.

