

Villiera The Clan 2015

Intensely perfumed with dark berry fruit, liquorice, violets and underlying tobacco, spice and graphite. It is full bodied with ripe succulent tannins and great length. The wine is complemented by a small percentage of Carignan, which freshens the wine, improving drinkability while creating a point of difference.

variety : Cabernet Franc | 86% Cabernet Franc 14% Carignana

winery : Villiera Wines

winemaker : Jeff Grier

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 15.29 % vol rs : 1.8 g/l pH : 3.5 ta : 5.9 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity **wooded**

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

Platter's Wine Guide: 4½ Stars (93 Points)

Cabernet Franc Challenge: GOLD

National Wine Competition / Top 100: DOUBLE GOLD

"The Clan" reflects the close family unity and commitment to quality that has sustained the Grier family of Villiera over decades in the wine business. Attention to detail was foremost in our minds while creating and packaging "The Clan" and no expense has been spared in creating this wine. Only 1 400 bottles were produced.

about the harvest: The Cabernet Franc old vine grapes were hand harvested at full ripeness from a selected site while the Carignan was harvested early for freshness. The 2015 Vintage is recognized in Stellenbosch as an outstanding vintage.

in the cellar : The grapes were lightly crushed and destalked into a Rototank for good extraction. After a 2 day, cool presoak, the wine was inoculated for fermentation. Pressing occurred before the end of fermentation and the young wine was moved to 225l French Oak barrels (60% new, tight grain, medium toast). Malolactic occurred in barrel followed by 18 months of maturation before removing and bottling.



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