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Dornier CMD 2014

The CMD 2014 is a full bodied blend of the three lesser known Bordeaux varieties. Berry and black cherries aromas are supported by subtle hints French oak. The pallet is a true reflection of the nose of the wine. Concentrated fruit and firm tannins with a lingering finish. The Cabernet Franc also adds a hint of austerity to this elegant blend.



variety : Malbec | 75% Malbec, 20% Cabernet Franc, 5% Petit Verdot
winery : Dornier Wines
winemaker : JC Steyn
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 13.67 % vol **rs :** 2.3 g/l **pH :** 3.41 **ta :** 5.2 g/l **va :** 0.53 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

John Platter 4.5 stars

Dornier CMD pays tribute to the late, founding owner Christoph Modeste Dornier, whose endearment of Stellenbosch, affinity towards fine wine and mastery of art are exemplified in this maiden vintage release of Dornier CMD.

in the vineyard : CMD is a blend of Malbec, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot form three unique vineyards which yield very small quantities of finely concentrated fruit. The vines are located high up on the Stellenbosch mountain behind Dornier, where the soil consists of red decomposed granite with a lot of rocky material and a high clay content. Clay has a cooling effect as it retains water. This keeps the roots cool and leads to slow ripening of the grapes.

about the harvest: The grapes are picked by hand, which allows us to sort bunches in the vineyard before a second berry sorting in the cellar.

in the cellar : The three parcels of fruit are fermented separately in open top fermenters with punch downs four times a day. Malolactic fermentation takes place in the barrel for better integration and roundness. The wine then ages for 18 months in French oak barrels, of which 45% is new.