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Groote Post Salt of The Earth 2018

"Salt of the Earth" defined as being representative of the best, noblest elements of society. This wine is just that, with grapes sourced from pockets of excellence throughout the Darling wine district.



variety : Shiraz | 67% Shiraz, 33% Cinsault
winery : Groote Post Vineyards
winemaker : Lukas Wentzel
wine of origin :
analysis : **alc :** 14.43 % vol **rs :** 2.4 g/l **pH :** 3.58 **ta :** 5.7 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

2021 Platter's South African Wine Guide - 4½ Stars
2020 Michael Angelo - Gold
2020 Old Mutual Awards - Silver

in the vineyard :
Shiraz Vines Planted: 2001
Soil: Hutton
Yield: 6 t/ha
Irrigation: Supplementary
Trellising: 5 wire Perold
Elevation: 200m

Cinsault Vines Planted: 1976
Soil: Hutton
Yield: 4 t/ha
Irrigation: None
Trellising: Bush vine
Elevation: 200m

about the harvest: 2018 was an excellent wine year with outstanding sugar and phenolic ripeness achieved throughout both cultivars.

in the cellar : The grapes of both cultivars were harvested on the same day and fermented together in open top tank fermenters. The free run juice was kept separate and underwent malolactic fermentation in 500 litre barrels. After malolactic fermentation the wine was racked and then put back in barrel for 14 months. The wood selection was 60% new 500 litre oak barrels and 40% older 500 litre oak barrels.

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