

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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