

## Anthonij Rupert Cape of Good Hope Parel Vallei Merlot 2015

Spicy melange of black and blue fruits on a bright, lively appealing nose. Hint of dark chocolate too. Abundant appeal to the bright palate which is packed with toned cherry, blueberry and black hedgerow fruits, supported by a deeper cocoa note. Layered and complex with well integrated oak, the wine is lithe and supple rather than chunky. Subtle oak spice underpins and cradles the fruit and adds length to the aftertaste. Lovely elegance overall.

**variety :** Merlot | 100% Merlot

**winery :** Anthonij Rupert Wyne

**winemaker :** Dawie Botha

**wine of origin :** Western Cape

**analysis :** alc : 14 % vol    rs : 1.9 g/l    pH : -    ta : 5.4 g/l

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

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

**in the vineyard :** Proprietor of Anthonij Rupert Wyne, Johann Rupert, has taken a personal interest in this parcel of fruit – since it is planted literally in his backyard. A small block of Merlot, planted at high density in residential Somerset-West, produces this uniquely perfumed wine. Deep clay soils and strict canopy management of the vertically trellised vines gives us consistency of character and taste of the grapes and wine. A small block of Merlot, planted at high density in residential Somerset-West, produces this uniquely perfumed wine. Deep clay soils and strict canopy management of the vertically trellised vines gives us consistency of character and taste of the grapes and wine.

**about the harvest:** 2015 was one of our earliest harvests, with lower tonnages and smaller berries. is led to great colour and intensity. There was no heat waves in February that meant a healthy harvest with even and steady ripening. 2015 will be earmarked for some exceptional wines.

**in the cellar :** e grapes were hand-sorted, and fermented in 225L new French oak barrels. After fermentation we extended skin contact for a further 10 days before pressing the wine, making the total days on the skins about 45 days. e wine went through malolactic fermentation in the same barrels. It was aged in the same new French oak barrels for 24 months and bottle-aged for 24 months.



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