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Muratie The Senator Cape Late Bottled Vintage 2011

Floral notes of violets and roses entice the bouquet along with a concentration of Christmas spice and plum pudding. Each sip is deeply rich, with flavours ranging from Kirsch-macerated black cherries, truffles, tobacco to dark chocolate-enrobed hazelnuts. There are also savoury undertones in the after taste. With brisk acidity and warming alcohol in harmony with the malleably powerful structure.

variety : Tinta Barocca | Tinta Barocca, Tinta Roritz, Tinta Francesca, Souzao
winery : Muratie Wine Estate
winemaker : Hattingh de Villiers
wine of origin : Simonsberg-Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 21.18 % vol **rs :** 93.4 g/l **pH :** 4.31 **ta :** 4.4 g/l
type : Dessert **style :** Sweet **body :** Full **taste :** Fragrant **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

ageing : Seamlessly integrated, this world-class wine should reward contemplation for at least another two decades.



Sir Walter Ernest Mortimer Stanford KBE CB CMG bought Muratie in 1908 and lived here until September 1911. Stanford entered the Cape Legislative Assembly in 1908 as an independent member for Tembuland and was selected to represent the views of the African people at the National Convention of 1909, which led to the Union of South Africa.

He argued strongly for universal franchise, regardless of race and gender but his proposal was not accepted. From 1910-29, he served in the Senate. This unique wine pays tribute to a great leader, statesman and humanitarian.

in the vineyard : Muratie Cape Vintage Port is produced from a vineyard planted way back in 1972. The traditional Port varietals (Tinta Barocca, Tinta Roritz, Tinta Francesca and Souzao) are all planted in the same block. This block is harvested together, so this fortified Port-style “field blend” is unique to the Muratie Cape Vintage.

about the harvest: The grapes were hand harvested from a very old block of port varietals planted in 1972 by the then winemaker Ben Prins.

in the cellar : After a lengthy five years in old 225l French oak barrels, we hand selected two specific barrels of “port wine” made in 2011. These barrels aged the wine to a level of faultlessness. It deserves our top level of admiration and so, selected to stand on their own.

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