

## David Finlayson Camino Africana Cabernet Franc 2021

Depth, structure, bold fruit and suave, juicy tannins – all bolstered with classy wood regimen – make for unmistakable quality.

**variety** : Cabernet Franc | 100% Cabernet Franc

**winery** : Edgebaston Vineyard | David Finlayson Wines

**winemaker** : David Finlayson

**wine of origin** : Stellenbosch

**analysis** : **alc** : 13.34 % vol **rs** : 1.6 g/l **pH** : 3.49 **ta** : 6.1 g/l **va** : 0.85 g/l **so2** : 100 mg/l **fso2** : 31 mg/l

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

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

2024 Platter's Wine Guide - 4½ Stars

2023 James Suckling Tasting report - 90 Points

### ageing :

A wine for maturation and enjoyment when the time is truly ripe for the reward.

### in the vineyard :

With all the hype for resurrected old vine projects and natural wines, David's "Camino Africana" project seeks to kill 2 birds with one stone. This is the oldest Cab Franc vineyard in Stellenbosch – planted in 1985. The vineyard is in fairly poor condition and its upkeep and rejuvenation is constant and ongoing.

### in the cellar :

The 5 tons Cab Franc grapes were carefully sorted and crushed whole berry into a 5 ton fermenter. After 3 days cold soak and allowing spontaneous fermentation to take place, pumpovers occurred 3 times per day for 14 days. 10 days post ferment maceration was followed by a soft press and further 24 months maturation in 30% New and 70% Second Fill 300 litre Allier Hogshead barrels. Bottled with minimal filtration and no fining to maintain the wine's fine structure. This is as non-interventionist as he could manage. The fruit is pure and very expressive, and challenges the notion that this grape should be used for blending.



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