

Steenberg Five Lives 2020

Steenberg Five Lives expresses an intense dark red hue with a lighter, garnet red on the rim. The nose displays prominently with blackcurrant cassis and notes of earth, basil and plum. It is a medium to full-bodied wine, showing a silky texture and depth, as well as an elegant tannin structure. Savoury sundried tomato pesto, tobacco spice, cherry and cinnamon notes linger on the palate long after the last sip. The Merlot forms the backbone of this wine with clean, bright fruit which add subtle freshness. The Cabernet Sauvignon brings a formal, earnest profile to the blend. This wine is showing beautifully now and will reward cellaring for up to 5 years.

variety : Merlot | 76% merlot, 24% cabernet sauvignon

winery : Steenberg Vineyards

winemaker : JD Pretorius

wine of origin :

analysis : alc : 14.35 % vol rs : 2.1 g/l pH : 3.55 ta : 5.7 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Medium **taste :** Fragrant

pack : Bottle **size :** 0 **closure :** 0

in the cellar : The two varietal portions for Steenberg Five Lives were vinified in stainless steel tanks. Prior to fermentation, 10-15% of the juice was drawn off the skins to aid body and fullness. Both varietals were fermented separately, on the skins, for 14 days. Pump overs were done twice per day to extract colour and tannin. After fermentation they were separately racked into small French oak barrels Malolactic fermentation took place in barrel and the wine was aged for 20 months. The wine was then blended and a light fining was done before bottling.



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