

Perdeberg Endura Winemaker's Selection Cape Blend 2020

This wine has a dark red colour. Bouquet of dark berries, blackcurrant, red fruit, and hints of cocoa and dried tobacco leaves flavours. On the palate, blueberries, cherries, and a hint of vanilla. The palate is well-structured and elegant and it has a long smooth finish.

This wine pairs well with rich dishes such as Cape Malay curry, red meat, and wild game.

variety : Pinotage | 52% Pinotage, 24% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Malbec

winery : Perdeberg Wines

winemaker : Albertus Louw

wine of origin : Paarl

analysis : alc : 13.76 % vol rs : 3.2 g/l pH : 3.56 ta : 5.5 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **wooded** **vegetarian**

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

2023 Tim Atkin SA Special Report - 90 points

2023 Michelangelo Awards - Gold

ageing : Ready to be enjoyed now with the potential to age further for up to eight years.

Endura pays tribute to the enduring journey of survival a dry land vine embarks on year after year to produce its best fruit. Smaller berried, flavour-rich grapes are nature's way of aligning the dry land vine's energy levels with challenging external conditions and so ensuring the best possible outcome. The winemaker annually selects the best fruit combination for a limited release blend.

in the vineyard : The vineyards are all situated within the Paarl region and are a combination of the best-selected terroir for each of the cultivars. The soils are a combination of decomposed granite and Malmesbury shales. The grapes were hand-picked and harvested in small batches, followed by berry sorting to remove any unwanted grapes. The influence of the dryland growing conditions plays an integral part in the quality of the grapes and fruit intensity.

about the harvest: The 2020 growing season was good, with much improved winter rainfall after the drought period between 2016-2018. The vineyards had good growth, and the growing season was relatively cool with low disease pressure. The season was normal in terms of ripening, and the grapes were harvested on long-term average intake dates. The crop was of average size, with small berries that helped with fruit concentration.

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in the cellar : This Cape Blend is a Pinotage-driven blend with the addition of Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec to add to the complexity and balance of the final product. Fermentation took place in small stainless-steel tanks for seven days with regular pump-overs for fermenting to extract the flavour, colour and structure from the skins. After pressing, the wine was transferred to 500-litre French oak barrels for malolactic fermentation and further ageing for eighteen months. Only the best barrels were selected and blended to create a harmony of flavours and balance in the wine.



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