

David Finlayson Camino Africana Cabernet Franc 2022

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** : 14.53 % vol **rs** : 2.5 g/l **pH** : 3.69 **ta** : 5.6 g/l **so2** : 100 mg/l **fso2** : 31 mg/l

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

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

2025 Platter's Wine Guide - 5 Stars

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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