

Rupert & Rothschild Classique 2022

The 2022 Classique opens with an inviting bouquet of blackcurrants and ripe blackberries, lifted by hints of pimento and coriander spice. The rich dark fruit continues on the palate, evolving into a vibrant note of fresh red cherries. Expressive and flavourful, the wine strikes a fine balance between juicy fruit and well-integrated oak. Subtle savoury spice adds depth, while the silky texture brings elegance to a fresh, lingering finish.

This wine pairs well with slow-roasted neck of lamb, served with quince purée, fermented pomegranate, and a whole-grain mustard jus.

variety : Merlot | 38% Merlot, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Petit Verdot, 12% Cabernet Franc, 1% Malbec

winery : Rupert & Rothschild Vignerons

winemaker : Yvonne Lester

wine of origin : Western Cape

analysis : alc : 13.5 % vol rs : . g/l pH : 3.55 ta : 5.59 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Medium **taste :** Fruity **wooded**

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

ageing : The wine has an excellent ageing potential and, if stored correctly, will evolve beautifully for at least 10-20 years.

in the vineyard : Appellation: Wine of origin Western Cape
Age of vines: 4 to 32 years

about the harvest : Hand-picked from mid-February to end-March 2022. A cold, rainy winter ensured healthy vine growth. Steady, heat-free ripening resulted in pure fruit expression and mature tannins, creating a balanced, harmonious wine.

in the cellar : Grapes delicately crushed and fermented in stainless steel tanks with regular pump-overs. Malolactic fermentation in tanks, followed by ageing in French oak barrels for 12-16 months.



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