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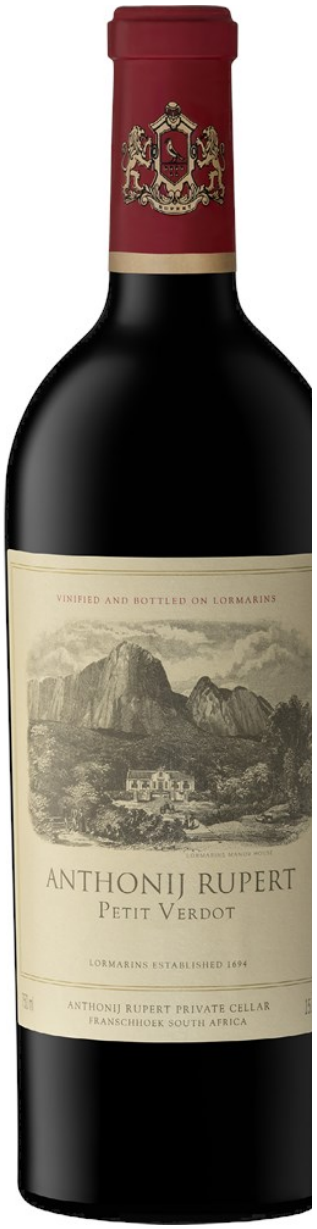
Anthonij Rupert Petit Verdot 2016

Enveloping rich fruitcake aromatics with a hint of charcuterie alongside spice. The flavours are bold. Inky, deep, dark and dense blue and black fruit with a dry, spicy oak grip that the grape variety is noted for. Powerful yet restrained, the oak is unmistakeably prominent but balanced by the concentration of the ripe dark berry flavours. Structured with dry tannin grip and a long, rich tail. Not for the fainthearted.



variety : Petit Verdot | 100% Petit Verdot
winery : Anthonij Rupert Wyne
winemaker : Dawie Botha
wine of origin : Franschhoek
analysis : **alc :** 14.0 % vol **rs :** 2.6 g/l **pH :** 3.56 **ta :** 5.6 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fragrant **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

in the vineyard : The 2016 vintage was at times, a challenge. The growing season was exceptionally dry with drought having a major impact on the crops, especially in Franschhoek. Although some grapes did suffer from sunburn, others benefited from the extra concentration, however, acidity was in some cases compromised. Despite the harvest being earlier than normal, conditions had cooled enough to allow later-ripening grapes a chance to catch up. Overall, the harvest was far smaller than normal, and the quality could vary quite substantially.

about the harvest: The Petit Verdot was harvest in lug boxes and then refrigerated overnight in the cellar.

in the cellar : The next day the grapes were optical sorted and fermented in 3 ton wooden fermenters. Malolactic was done in 225L French oak barrels. After Racking the wine was aged in 80% new oak and 20% 2nd fill barrels for 24 months. After bottling the wine was bottle aged for another 5 years.

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