

# Bloemcool

GRYSKOP

## WINE STORY

GRYSKOP (OR GREY-HEAD IN ENGLISH) PAYS HOMAGE TO THE DISTINCTIVE GREY-BLUE COLOUR OF THE PINOT GRIS BERRIES FROM OUR DARLING VINEYARDS TOGETHER WITH THE ICONIC GRANITE BOULDERS THAT ARE SITUATED ATOP THE ROLLING HILLS OF THE FARM. AFTER THE SEVERE DROUGHTS THAT HAVE RAVAGED THE AREA RECENTLY, THE VINEYARD HAS STRUGGLED TO PRODUCE CONSISTENT YIELDS WHICH HAS CONTRIBUTED TO A FEW EXTRA, UNWANTED GREY HAIRES FOR OUR CELLAR TEAM! IN 2020 THE VINEYARD WAS ABLE TO TRANSCEND THE DROUGHT AND PRODUCE FRUIT OF EXCEPTIONAL QUALITY. THE DEEP ONION SKIN COLOUR IN THE GLASS IS A SPECTACLE TO BEHOLD AND ONE THAT REMINDS ME OF THE FINAL SETTING SUN RAYS OVER THE GRYSKOPPE OF OUR DARLING VINEYARDS.

## WINEMAKING INFO

THE GRAPES WERE HARVESTED EARLY IN FEBRUARY IN COOL CLIMATE DARLING AND TRUCKED TO PAARL. THEREAFTER THE FRUIT WAS DESTEMMED AND LEFT TO SETTLE FOR TWO DAYS BEFORE RACKING AND FERMENTATION STARTED. THE WINE WAS FERMENTED IN NEUTRAL FRENCH OAK BARRELS AND THE PINK COLOUR GRADUALLY BECAME A DEEP ONION SHADE AS THE SEASON WENT ON AND THE WINE WAS AGED ON THE LEES FOR A FURTHER 6 MONTHS. THIS WINE WAS RACKED AND FILTERED PRIOR TO BOTTLING. BEING A RED SKINNED WHITE VARIETY THE NORM IS TO LIGHTEN THE WINE WITH CARBON FOR COMMERCIAL APPEAL. WE'VE KEPT THE WINE'S NATURAL COLOUR OPTING TO SHOWCASE AND CELEBRATE IT IN A FLINT BOTTLE.

## TASTING NOTE

GOLD WITH A TOUCH OF PINK OR ONION SKINNED. HERBS, FYNBOS, LIME AND HONEY SUCKLE AROMAS ENTICE THE NOSE. A FRESH STYLE FERMENTED IN NEUTRAL OAK BARRELS WITH ZESTY MINERALITY AND A SUBTLE FLORAL NOTE TYPICAL OF THE DARLING REGION.

## CULTIVAR

100% PINOT GRIS

## VINTAGE

2020

## WINE OF ORIGIN

DARLING

## AMOUNT BOTTLED

381

## BOTTLING DATE

28/08/2020

## ANALYSIS

ALC 13,09  
RS 1,9  
PH 3,26  
TA 6,1  
VA 0,42



ALC. BY VOL. 13.0 % BOTTLES 381 SIZE IN ML 750 ml  
WINE OF SOUTH AFRICA | A 125 | CONTAINS SULPHITES