

Collection Malbec 2021

Glen Carlou is situated in the Simonsberg-Paarl region of South Africa's Western Cape.

Our vineyard blocks encompass a variety of slopes and aspects - each is nurtured according to its own unique potential, respecting the natural cycles of the vines.

Our 145 hectare property transferred back to local ownership when in 2016, Glen Carlou was purchased by a South African family consortium.

Collection wines are annual releases of mostly single vineyard and naturally fermented characterful, individual wines. Fruit is sourced from distinctive small blocks or vineyards, often from far afield, by means of contracts entered into with specific grape growers. Each wine has varying and unique attributes either from a viniculture feature or through its journey in the winery. Occasionally only 600 bottles of a wine are released, as quantity is restricted due to the yield.

Wine of Origin

Simonsberg-Paarl



This 2021 Malbec is one of only 1260 bottles produced - made from grapes grown within the Simonsberg-Faarl appellation.





In the Vineyard

This wine has been nurtured to bring across the true expression of the Glen Carlou terroir as well as the unique characteristics of Malbec as a single varietal. The soil in our characterful Malbec vineyards consists of decomposed granite with a naturally low yield due to its inherent composition and structure.

In the Cellar

The grapes were handled with utmost attention to detail using gravity led transfers. Matured in 50/50 new and 2nd fill French 225 litre barriques for 26 months, this is a wine to be cherished, as its layered complexity unveils unique characteristics of Malbec.

In the Glass

"Full bodied with a deep violet body colour. The wine exhibits intense sweet spice on the palate balanced by plum and black cherry and cassis notes with rounded acidity and richness on the mid palate. A smooth a creamy mouthfeel with soft and rounded tannins leads to a long silky aftertaste." (Johnnie Calitz, Winemaker)

Alc. 14.5% R.S. 4.9 g/l T.A. 5.9 g/l pH 3.65