



# VINEYARD FRIENDS

A WINE BY *Douglas Green*

GREAT WINE IS MADE IN THE VINEYARD, FARMING SIDE BY SIDE WITH NATURE, NOT AGAINST IT. AFTER ALL, SUSTAINABLE WINEMAKING IS A TEAM EFFORT. IT'S ABOUT MAINTAINING THE DELICATE BALANCE BETWEEN FLORA, FAUNA, AND THE HUMAN HAND. EACH WINE WE MAKE HONOURS THE UNIQUE ANIMALS OF THE CAPE THAT MAKE THE VINEYARDS THEIR HOME.

## BAT-EARED FOX

## PINOTAGE 2022

With keen foraging skills, the Bat-Eared Fox is our ally, removing harmful pests with a nuanced and natural approach. A friend of the vineyard, this wine is inspired by the Bat-Eared fox's wide-eyed curiosity and discerning taste.

### TASTING NOTE

Dark, juicy fruit with a hint of vanilla and chocolate.

### IN THE VINEYARD

In our quest to source unique and exclusive vineyards, we visit many sites and meet fascinating farmers along the way. In the past few years, we have noticed a definitive move towards sustainable vineyard practices and the preservation of natural flora and fauna. Our goal is to establish long-term relationships with these growers and promote their innovative approach to sustainability so that the wines we produce today, can be enjoyed for generations to come.

### IN THE CELLAR

Grapes are sourced from selected sites in Paardeberg, Breedekloof and Stellenbosch. Harvested at optimal ripeness for concentration of colour and typical plummy characters. The mash is cold soaked and softly worked during early fermentation to achieve depth of colour and concentration. Portions are fermented with French oak to achieve sultry mocha notes.

### ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 13.5% | pH: 3.6 | TA: 5.5 g/l | RS: 2.0 g/l

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