

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.

<mark>ROOIKAT</mark> CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2023

Extremely elusive and solitary, the Rooikat is occasionally spotted hunting for prey in the vineyards - a true sign of a healthy natural ecosystem. As a friend of the vineyard, this wine reflects the wild cat's bold character and refined structure.

TASTING NOTE

Full-bodied and generous with rich black fruit notes.

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 Robertson and Breedekloof, picked at optimum phenolic ripeness to ensure concentration and varietal expression. Cold soaked and fermented at 22-26°C with specially selected yeasts and optimal time-on-skins. Portions of this blend spent 12 months in French oak to add complexity and structure.

ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 14.0% I pH: 3.6 I TA: 5.5 g/l I RS: 3.5 g/l

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