

# 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 precious vineyards their home.

# ROOIKAT CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021

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 fellow friend of the vineyard, this wine reflects the wild cat's bold character and refined structure.

### TASTING NOTES

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 interesting 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. The goal is to establish longterm 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

Wines are sourced from selected sites in Robertson and Breedekloof, picked at optimum phenolic ripeness to ensure concentration, ripeness 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.

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### TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 13.5% Residual Sugar: 3.0 g/l Total Acid: 5.5 g/l pH: 3.6

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