

Waterford Estate

Grenache Noir Single Vineyard

2019



Cultivars:	100% Grenache Noir
Region:	Stellenbosch
Quantity:	950 cases
Ageing:	30% aged in Porcelain jars and 500L French oak barrels
Wine Analysis:	Alc 14.01%
	RS 1.0 g/L
	TA 4.0 g/L
	pH 3.72

TASTING NOTE

Very inviting aromatics of orange rind, earthy red cherry and exotic fruits, with hints of clove spice. The palate is layered with red cherries, tomato reduction, earthy notes and savoury flavours along with velvety dry tannins and a lovely freshness to carry the fruit.

VINEYARD

Planted on the rockiest sandstone slopes of Waterford Estate in 2005.

VINTAGE REVIEW 2019

Drought still playing a huge roll on the vintage, a dry and warm winter hindering the dormancy period which is vital for even growth and survival. Berries at harvest time were tiny and highly concentrated in flavor, and due to relatively cool and dry summer weather, the wines also ended up with low alcohols and softer acidities.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

Pairs well with lean red meats such as venison as well as a variety of earthy components.

WINE FACTS

For the first 10 years the grapes from this vineyard were solely used to produce the Blanc de Noir. The patience was required to allow time for the vineyard to mature and produce fruit of premium quality for red wine. The wine is aged in roughly 30% Porcelain jars, as well as large 500l old French oak barrels for a period of 14 months.

