

Journeys End Griffin Syrah 2020



Region

This famous region is 30 miles north east of Cape Town yet still close enough to the ocean to benefit from cool maritime conditions. These beautiful vineyards are dominated by scenic mountains and the region is home to some of the Cape's most famous and influential wine estates. The most noted and important vineyards are located on the prized slopes of the Simonsberg Mountain. This small and highly rated sub-zone has fantastic terroir and is where many of South Africa's top red cuvees are produced.

Producer

The stunning vineyards on the Journey's End estate were purchased and replanted by Shropshire resident Roger Gabb in 1996. With son Rollo now at the helm the consistently strong run of top wine awards is testament to its status as one of South Africa's most premium wine estates. This beautiful location in the Helderberg Basin near Sir Lowry's Pass benefits from south-facing slopes and cool coastal breezes. There is also a great belief in minimal intervention in the vineyards, allowing nature to do her best at expressing the unique terroir. The estate has impressive ethical and sustainability credentials. It is fully solar powered and Fairtrade certified, and recently received recognition for its commitment to this with an Ethical Company of the Year Award.

Tasting Notes

The Griffin's name is inspired by the Gabb family crest. The wine is from selected grapes from 30 years old vines, and following fermentation spends 16 months in 30% American and 20% French Oak. A youthful yet complex wine displaying violets and cherry with white pepper on the nose. The use of American oak adds subtle caramel notes as well as palate weight and mouthfeel. Although rich and succulent, silky polished tannins provide structure and an elegant lingering finish.

Food

Syrah, a versatile red wine, is a great match for grilled meats, spicy dishes, and aged cheeses.

Technical Information

Country	South Africa
Region	Stellenbosch
Grape(s)	Syrah (100%)
Type	Red
Style	Fruity
Oaked Style	Oaked
Body Style	Medium bodied
Sustainable	Yes-certified sustainable

Dry/Sweet Style	Dry	
Alcohol Content	14%	
Closure Style	Not Set	
Organic/Biodynamic	Organic practices	
Allergens	Milk:	No
	Egg:	No
Vegetarian/Vegan	Vegetarian:	Yes
	Vegan:	Yes



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