

# THE FOUNDATION STONE RED 2018

## PRODUCT INFORMATION

Full name Vintage Varietals The Foundation Stone Red 2018 35% Grenache Noir, 25% Shiraz, 20% Cinsault, 20% Mourvèdre

Origin

Western Cape

## PACKAGING INFORMATION

Bottle barcode Case barcode Unit size Bottles per case Pallet information 6007738000078 26007738000072 750 ml 6 28cs x 6 x 4

## **TECHNICAL ANALYSIS**

Alc.14.0 % | RS 3.28 g/ℓ | TA 5.45 g/ℓ | pH 3.52

## HARVEST

Vineyards planted in decomposed granite soils with westerly facing slopes were identified in the Franschhoek, Walker Bay and Breede River areas to make this Mediterranean-style blend. Well-manicured and settled vines yielding between 5 - 8 tonnes / ha. Grapes were harvested by hand between  $24^{\circ} - 24.5^{\circ}$  Balling with good harvesting conditions throughout.

## WINE MAKING

Fermentation took place in open top fermenters at  $25^{\circ}$ C with up to 3 punch downs daily. The wine was pressed gently up to 1.3Bar pressure after a short period of 4 days on the skins. Malolactic fermentation took place in older 225L French oak barrels. All four varietals were matured separately in barrel for a total maturation time of 12 months and then blended for bottling.

## WINEMAKER'S NOTE

This intriguing blend is silky soft on the palate with soft tannins and notes of black pepper, violets and red fruit on the nose. Layered complexity on the nose and palate surprise with every interaction.

## CELLARING

Ready for your enjoyment or drink until to 2023.

## SERVING TEMPERATURE

15 - 17°C

## FOOD SUGGESTIONS

Enjoy with ostrich or beef carpaccio, duck, venison and rump steak with a creamy pepper sauce.

#### PAST ACCOLADES

**The Foundation Stone Red 2015 -**NWC/Top 100 SA Wines 2018 -Winner Double Gold Award

**The Foundation Stone Red 2014 -**Selected for The Sommerliers Selection. Top 100 SA Wines 2016

**The Foundation Stone White 2013** -93 Points – Tim Atkin MW Report 2014



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