Strange Bru Fernao Pires, WO Western Cape 2024

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Strange Kompanjie Unlimited

— Western Cape, South Africa

Fernao Pires was planted in the Cape decades ago for brandy production. Strange Bru (the weird brother in Afrikaans) celebrates the charms of a Portuguese cultivar finding its feet in a foreign field. Best drunk in its youth this wine is not for later, it's definitely Fernao.

Production

Of the last blocks of Fernao left in the Cape this is the oldest at 37 years old. In Portugal the variety is also known as Maria Gomes and was introduced in South Africa primarily for brandy production but fell out of favour. Which is where we all come in. Before we lose 'em let's use 'em. Rock-star winemakers are sniffing around this block now which is good for its future but here is an accessibly-priced expression of the loveliness of the Found before it gets Lost.

Tasting note

An expressive, aromatic nose with green citrus, lemongrass and lightly herbal notes. A crisp, appetising style, a streak of minerality underpins the fresh and vibrant fruit leading to a clean, taut finish.

Food Match

Coconut infused curry, fish with a mango salad, pan roasted chicken.

ABV:
12.50%

Case/Bottle Size:
6x 75cl

Closure:
Please Select

Category:
Sustainable

Appellation:
Wo Western Cape

Grape Varieties:
Fernao Pires 100%

Suitable for:
Vegan

Bottle Barcode:
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