Circumstance Cape Coral Rosé, WO Stellenbosch 2024

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2022 Vintage

Waterkloof

— Stellenbosch, South Africa

Decanter World Wine Awards Bronze 2023

Mourvedre is perfect for Waterkloof, with its head in the sun and feet in the sea, so Paul Boutinot has made it the most planted red grape on this biodynamic farm. Cape Coral Rosé has vindicated that decision, proving itself to be one of the finest rosés in The Southern Hemisphere.

Production

Living soils and a natural approach to winemaking means that each of the single-varietal wines in the Circumstance range is truly defined by the circumstances influencing the chosen varietal and vineyard blocks, including: soil, aspect, altitude and vintage. The Mourvedre vines are dry-farmed, windswept and low-yielding. Production is a miniscule (for rosé) 5 tons per hectare. Grapes were hand harvested followed by a gentle whole-bunch pressing in a horizontal basket press, to extract only the finest juice. No further maceration of the juice with the skins was allowed. The juice was run down via gravity into tank and left to settle naturally for 12 hours. From there the clean juice was racked off to wooden fermenters to start the natural fermentation spontaneously, relying on wild yeasts that occur naturally in the vineyard. Waterkloof ferment in older wooden fermenters to ensure a slow ingress of oxygen throughout the process and therefore a longer fermentation without picking-up any oak aromas. The wine was then left on fine lees to add further complexity before bottling. No fining, just a light filtration. The only addition was a small amount of sulphur before bottling.

Tasting note

A fine pale-coloured rosé with delicate aromas of pomegranates and raspberry and a distinctive flintiness. There's finesse and elegance on the palate with flavours of soft red fruits, a gentle silky texture and a lingering fresh acidity on the finish.

Food Match

Serve chilled on its own, also marries well with spicy, tuna-based sushi or even steak.

ABV:
13.00%

Case/Bottle Size:
6x 75cl

Closure:
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Category:
Natural/Sustainable

Appellation:
WO Stellenbosch

Winemaker:
Nadia Langenegger

Grape Varieties:
Mourvèdre 100%

Suitable for:
Vegan

Bottle Barcode:
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