

**CLOS
MALVERNE**
AURET 2014



ORIGIN: From selected vineyards in the prime red wine growing area of the Devon Valley near Stellenbosch.

CLIMATE: Mediterranean - summers are warm and dry, whilst sea breezes from the nearby False Bay cool the vineyards in the afternoons. The winters are wet and cold with a high average rainfall.

VINIFICATION: The grapes are hand- harvested at optimal ripeness. They are then destalked, crushed and fermented for 7 days on the skins in open fermenting tanks. The average fermentation temperature is 24-30° C. After fermentation, the skins are pressed in traditional basket presses. The free run and pressed juices are combined and malolactic fermentation spontaneously takes place in the tank. Now the wine is racked and 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Pinotage and 10% Merlot is blended. The wine spent 12-13 months in 225l French oak barrels.

TASTING NOTES: The flagship of our range! A unique, full -bodied red blend, with Pinotage, South Africa's own cultivar. Pleasantly dry tannins, spicy with underlying fruit (ripe berries). Good maturation prospects - 5 to 7 years.

SOIL	TRELLISSING	YIELD	ANALYSIS
Deep red Hutton soils.	Hedged (Perold system)	8 tons per ha.	Alcohol:14.61%
			Residual sugar: 2.9g/l
			Total acidity: 5.5 g/l
			pH: 3.65



AWARDS & ACCOLADES

2014	Auret 2012 Councours Mondial de Bruxulles - Gold Medal Veritas Wine Awards - Gold Medal
2011	Auret 2009 Concours Mondial de Bruxelles – Great Gold Medal
2009	Auret 2007 International Wine Challenge Competition – Bronze Medal Decanter International Competition Awards – Bronze Medal Veritas Awards – Bronze Medal
2008	Auret 2006 Decanter International Competition Awards – Bronze Medal
2007	Auret 2005 Michelangelo International Wine Awards – Silver Medal
2006	Auret 2003 Swiss International Air Lines Wine Awards – Gold Medal Winemakers' Choice – Diamond Award
2002	Auret 2000 Michelangelo International Wine Awards - Silver Medal Auret 1998 Fairbairn Capital Trophy Wine Show – Silver Medal Auret 1998 John Platter SA Wines 2002 – 5 star
2001	Auret 1999 Michelangelo International Wine Awards - Silver Medal Auret 1998 Concours Mondial, Brussels - Silver Meda
2000	Auret 1997 Top Red Blend by WINE Magazine and 4½ stars
1999	Auret 1997 EXPOVINA International Wine Awards, Zurich - Gold Medal Auret 1997 Veritas Double Gold