

# Momento

## Tinta Barocca 2021

This wine is a tribute to all old vine Tinta Baroccas of South Africa, which for a long time have supported some beautifully fine 'red blends' but seldom got the recognition they deserve. A varietal that is very well adapted to the Western Cape and if given the opportunity, produces excellent wines with great personality and identity. The layered tannin structure of Tinta Barocca makes it an ideal partner for a variety of dishes. A blend of three vineyards all aged over 40 years - of origin Darling, Stellenbosch and Swartland (Paardeberg) - grown on a soil combination of Bokkeveld shale, decomposed granite and clay.

### *Tasting Note*

Sour cherry and liquorice, black forest cake and dark cherries; this wine is a deftly restrained expression of the variety, with the forest floor savouriness and umami in perfect counterpoint to the wild red fruits up front. Tannins are chalky and lightly herbal, mint and sage standing out among other dried herbs.

### *Winemaking*

Natural and gentle winemaking procedures were followed in the cellar, allowing the vineyards to speak and express themselves in the wine. 15% whole bunches and gentle punch downs by hand twice daily. After 3 weeks of maceration on skins, grapes were basket-pressed to barrel. Matured for 16 months in older, French oak barrels. No fining. Bottled in August 2023.

### *Analysis*

Residual sugar: 1.7g/L

Total acid: 5.1 g/L

pH: 3.48

Alcohol: 12.93 % vol