

Keermont Pondokrug Cabernet Franc

Keermont Vineyards

South Africa - Western Cape - Coastal Region - Stellenbosch

The Keermont Single Vineyard Series was created to highlight the superb quality and individual character of the wines produced from certain vineyard parcels on the farm. These parcels have been registered as Single Vineyards with the South African Wine Industry Information & Systems NPC (SAWIS) and wines labelled as such may not contain wine made from any other vineyard. The production of each wine is therefore very limited.

High up on the west facing slopes of the Stellenbosch Mountain, this is a 1.8Ha parcel of Cabernet Franc planted in 2006. At an elevation of 380m above sea level and surrounded by mountain 'fynbos', this block is exposed to many natural elements resulting in very low yields. The soil on Pondokrug is red granitic loam with a high clay content, which sustains the vines during the summer months.

Pondokrug - a ridge (rug) deriving its name from a shepherd's hut (Pondok).

This wine has a pink purple hue. Typical herbal aromas are complimented by strawberries and red candy. The palate is intense with bright red fruit flavors complimented by hints of sherbet, red peppers and black currant. The tannin structure is tight and grippy and a strong central acid core gives the wine a long powerful dry finish.



Specifications

Appellation	Coastal Region - Stellenbosch
Varietals	100% Cabernet Franc
Soil type	red granite loam with high clay content
Vinification	Small parcels of grapes are specifically selected according to ripeness, harvested by hand and vinified separately. This process is carried out gently and naturally in open top fermenters using traditional methods only. This wine spent 20 months maturing in seasoned French oak barrels before being bottled by hand without filtration.
Pairings	Red meat, pasta and pizza.

Reviews and News

2018 Keermont Pondokrug Cabernet Franc - 94 PTS - TA

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2017 Keermont Pondokrug Cabernet Franc - 90 PTS - WE

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2015 Keermont Pondokrug Cabernet Franc - 93 PTS - IWR

2015 Keermont Pondokrug Cabernet Franc - 91 PTS - VINOUS

2015 Keermont Pondokrug Cabernet Franc - 90 PTS - WE