

BEAU CONSTANTIA



W.O.
Constantia

ALC
15.0 % VOL

TA
5.1 g/l

VA
0.72 g/l

RS
2.4 g/l

pH
3.77

STELLA 2017

100% Syrah

Who we are

Beau Constantia is a boutique wine farm owned by the Du Preez family. With vineyards stretching to 350m above sea-level on the Constantia mountain range, this spectacular site produces small quantities of phenomenal grapes, allowing for concentrated, yet balanced, wines with a true sense of place.

This year

by Winemaker Megan van der Merwe

The average temperatures during the 2017 harvest were lower than usual, allowing for the grapes to ripen more slowly and benefit from the longer hang time in the vineyard. This is a very small selection of only four of the very best barrels of Syrah from a vintage that was so good that we decided to keep four barrels aside for a limited release. Only 1152 bottles were made of this juicy, spicy temptress of a wine. The Syrah vineyard is in the middle of the well-exposed North-East facing slope on Beau Constantia. The grapes were hand-harvested in the cold, early-morning hours, meticulously sorted and batch vinified. After natural fermentation on the skins and stems, the wine has matured in 225L French oak barrels (50% new, 50% second fill) for 18 months prior to bottling.

The wine

The STELLA 2017 nose is most enticing with upfront notes of fynbos flora, ripe black cherries and petrichor, seasoned with the perfect amount of white pepper. It is quite spicy but has a clean red berry perfume that can be attributed to the long, perfect growing season of 2017. It is full-bodied and packed with ripe, textured grape tannins that were extracted during the "hands-off", whole-bunch natural fermentation, while the finish is long and decadent with its beautifully preserved natural acidity.

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WINE OF ORIGIN CONSTANTIA
WINE OF SOUTH AFRICA

750ml ALC. 13,5%VOL

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