

BEAU CONSTANTIA



W.O.
Constantia

ALC
14.5 % VOL

TA
5.0 g/l

VA
0.62 g/l

RS
2.4 g/l

pH
3.71

AIDAN

2016

29% Shiraz, 27% Petit Verdot, 25% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Malbec, 7% Merlot

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

This blend was carefully crafted from vineyards that produced perfectly ripe grapes on the sunny North-facing slopes of Beau Constantia. Following the low rainfall received in 2015, the 2016 vintage is widely known as a drought-stricken one for South African wine growers. However, with our cold climate at the upper reaches of the Constantiaberg, these dry conditions produced beautiful wines. Reproductive development is less sensitive to water shortages than vegetative growth. This meant that canopies were smaller, allowing for better sunlight penetration as well as movement of air in the bunch zone, creating the ideal microclimate for ripening of healthy fruit. The grapes were hand harvested, gently destemmed and berry-sorted before being batch-vinified in small fermentation vessels. The wine was matured in 225L French oak barrels (50% new, 35% second fill and 15% third fill) for 18 months before bottling.

The wine

The AIDAN 2016 is extremely expressive with powerful aromas of cassis, clove, plum and blackberry. From this intriguingly dark nose this complex wine follows through with intense flavour concentration on the palate, presenting bold, yet polished, palate-gripping tannins that unwind into a lingering finish, demanding a sip more.

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WINE OF ORIGIN CONSTANTIA
WINE OF SOUTH AFRICA

750ml ALC. 14,5%VOL

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