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WO; Stellenbosch



Vintage Score best drinking

Jete R

Meaty, spicy nose, rich fruit, tannic grip, great	NV	80	1-8 years
value and very pleasant, the Malbec gives it bite.			

Rouge Noble R

Mid coloured, jammy, light supple fruit,	NV	75	1-6 years
simple quaffer.			

Roaring Lion R

deep rose, straightforward juicy fruit, rather	NV	75	1-7 years
drying, nice summer wine.			

Merlot R

2009: inky colour, sour cherry nose, game,	2009	85	2010-2017
leather and prunes with a savoury, touch			
lean, finish.			
2010: sour liquorice nose and black forest fruit	2010	83	2010-2018
palate, again with meaty tones.			
2014: obvious Rooibos notes, menthol, mint, and	2014	83	2015-2024
a touch medicinal, the cherry fruit comes through			
later, interesting, if you like Rooibos.			
2018: barrel sample is deep and full bodied, with	2018	89	2019-2029

Cabernet Franc (now History) RR

2010: rich colour, quiet nose but with silky	2010	85	2011-2017
blue fruits and grippy tannins. Seems light but			
reveals itself slowly. Needs 2 or 3 years more.			
2018: no greenness on this barrel sample, just	2018	89	2019-2029
rich colour, fine tannins, mixed forest berry fruits			
and some class.			

Cabernet Sauvignon RR

	2004	75	2004-2009
	2009	75	2009-2014
2010: opaque, leather and cassis on subdued	2010	78	2010-2016
nose, acid and tannin very bright giving a dry			
finish.			
2015: overt raspberry and strawberry fruit, with	2015	84	2015-2024
wood sinews and rusticity.			
2016: Rooibos hint is nicely in the background and	2016	86	2017-2025
bright juicy plum dark fruits lead this wine. Lots of			
fresh, cassis and supple mouthfeel.			
2018: cleaner than most of the range, with fine	2018	87	2018-2028
plum and blueberry notes, fresh and very enjoyable.			

Shiraz R

2009: fruity nose, burnt cherries and stewed	2009	78	2010-2014
fruit with firm tannins on the palate. Hints of forest			
and spice, drink soon.			
2010: dark, sweet fruit, better varietal definition,	2010	82	2011-2018
supple and enjoyable.			
2018: barrel sample shows rich and forward smoky	2018	87	2019-2029
fruit, fresh acidity and supple tannins. Bramble and			

Code Breaker R

2013: huge hit of Rooibos and honeybush over	2013	80	2013-2021
a mid weight, mixed fruit red, an acquired taste.			
2015: intensely fruity and forward, with lozenge effect	2015	85	2016-2024
black fruits, simple but effective with a slightly			
chemical hint.			

Premium Red RR

Again, Rooibos centred and masking any	NV	81	1-6 years
precision. Light, easy drinking, brief.			