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WO; Stellenbosch / Western Cape

Family owned and producing a small range of wines crafted from parcels of grapes brought in and on the farm, with a personal welcome and no rush.



Vintage Score best drinking

Sauvignon Blanc RR

	2006	85	2006-2014
2018: pale hue, very dry with green fruit hints	2018	85	2018-2024
and a mineral touch, easy and brief.			
2019: steely and bright with a mineral timbre and	2019	87	2019-2026
grapefruit citrus notes, floral and dry with a			
gentle finish.			
2020: lemony-citrus notes opening to tropical warmth	2020	87	2020-2027
with similar steely minerality and restraint. Good			
balance of fruit and structure.			

Chenin Blanc RR

	2002	82	2002-2012
	2005	86	2005-2015
	2007	88	2007-2018
2017: lemon-lime tinged hue, bright and vibrant	2017	87	2018-2027
orange and honey notes, cream hint and nicely balanced with some grippy structure, will improve.			

Chardonnay

	1999	80	1999-2009
	2005	82	2005-2013
	2006	86	2006-2015
	2007	88	2007-2017
2017: creamy vanilla and lanolin nose, then not	2017	88	2017-2027
overly heavy but supple and fresh, peach and			
dusty talcum powder mouthfeel.			
2020: pale straw hue and rich nose of jasmine and	2020	89	2020-2028
hay, then calming yellow stone fruit tones, and			
some mineral dryness. Will expand and improve.			

Floreal Blanc de Blanc R

2007: deliciously summer rose garden,	2007	83	2007-2015
perfumed and accessible.			
2018: delicate shade then full perfumed grapey	2018	87	2018-2026
nose, mid weight, dry and fresh with lingering			
exotic notes.			

Bottleneck Rosé R

2018: cherry pink and thick, fairly sweet nose, dry	2018	85	2018-2024
palate with raspberry and summer fruit pudding jelly			
notes, pleasant and great value.			
2019: pale pink depth, candied red berry nose, dry	2019	87	2019-2025
dusty raspberry palate, finishing fresh.			
2020: pale cherry-pink tones with juicy berry nose,	2020	88	2020-2026
smooth forest red fruits, clean and soft and refreshing.			
Developing an individual style personality.			

Pinotage RR

	2004	88	2005-2018
2017: sweetly fruited nose, full and forward, juicy	2017	89	2018-2028

Cabernet Franc R

2014: glossy garnet hue, ripe fruit nose, cherry, cranberry	2014	92	2016-2026
and red currant notes, hint of green leaf, balanced and			
with lovely restraint and poise, delicious and seductive,			
perfect food wine. Terrific value.			
2017: serious, quiet nose, deep and layered, dusty	2017	91	2018-2027
wood tannins, red cherry notes, winter berries with			
structure and aging potential.			

Sir Lowry Classic Red Blend

RR

2014: released at age four and nicely balanced and	2014	86	2016-2025
harmonious, with ripe red fruits, touch of rusticity			
but finishes silky and great value.			
2017: deep ruby shine, full berry nose, quality oak,	2017	91	2019-2028
firm and with backbone yet smooth and supple on			
the palate, rich and good to age.			

Cabernet Sauvignon/Shiraz R

	2007-2017	83	2007
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Cabernet Sauvignon RR

	2001	84	2001-2012
	2002	83	2002-2012
	2005	87	2005-2017
2014: mixed red and dark fruit notes, straightforward	2014	88	2015-2024
and nicely rustic, not overblown but with some supple			
elegance.			

2017: glossy hued, classic cedar and currant notes,
savoury wood tannins, mixed nicely rustic berry fruits,
finishing dry and tactile.