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Vintage Score best drinking

Cap Classique MCC RR

Yeasty nose then a weighty palate of	NV	82	1-5 years
strawberry and biscotti with tingly acidity.			

Vintage MCC RRR

2013: delicate and fine, with yeasty lees nose	2013	91	2013-2025
supporting still fresh orange and lemon peel			
flavours, profound and tangy.			

Cape Agulhas Sauvignon Blanc RR

2009: classic gooseberry and nettles with	2009	88	2009-2014
green peas and a creamy mineral softness.			
2012: like sucking wet pebbles, hugely	2012	86	2012-2020
Loire driven with hints of green apple in a			
classic style.			

Namysto Sauvignon Blanc RR

2017: vibrant cut grass, lemon and grapefruit nose,	2017	91	2017-2027
mineral dryness, opening on the palate to a fuller,			
expressive delight			

Chardonnay RR

	2004	90	2005-2010
	2006	91	2007-2012
2008: light gold, full bodied with luscious	2008	92	2009-2018
round fruit and toasted almonds. Balanced,			
mineral finish. Charming.			
2011: MLF and sweet vanilla oak revealing	2011	89	2011-2022
lush and layered pristine yellow fruits			
beneath. Delicious and lingering.			
2012: heavy oak influence dominant in its	2012	84	2012-2020
youth and leaving a bitter finish. Needs time.			
2017: yellow tinged with smoky mineral nose then	2017	92	2018-2027
rich butterscotch and caramel palate, stone fruit			
crispness finishing more creamy and mellow.			
2018: mid straw hue, slight MLF nose, rich and full	2018	91	2019-2028
bodied but clean and fine with yellow fruit cocktail.			

Nicobar RRR

2009: very pale yellow, leafy blackcurrant	2009	88	2010-2017
nose and tight acidity. Lots of passion fruit			
and lime and a long finish.			
2012: softened style showing oak influence	2012	85	2012-2018
taming acidity but leaving less definition.			

Simonsberg Oculus RR

	2006	89	2006-2010
2009: mid gold with intense perfumed nose of	2009	88	2010-2017
peach over oak. Lanolin and floral hints with			
texture and style.			

White Blend RRR

2017: just mid depth, subdued nose then a huge palate of	2017	91	2018-2027
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tangy yellow fruit and white blossom, quite w	veighty and
delicious.	

Namysto Rosé RR

2019: talcum powder, Turkish delight and rose water,	2019	86	2019-2025
classic fruity notes and with red berry depth, nicely dry.			

Merlot RR

2009: Not for wimps, a big wine with depth,	2009	91	2010-2019
rich plum and chocolate fruit all silky and bruising.			

The Mendi (Estate Red) RR

	2002	88	2002-2010
2006: subtle hints then spicy cedar and leather,	2006	93	2008-2018
mint and cassis all in a textured, mineral			
package. A grown up and serious wine.			

Namysto Red RR

2015: no colour fade at age four, glossy attractive	2015	88	2016-2026
and perfumed violets, spice and sweet, blackberry and			
seductive fruit. Very nice.			
2016: soft and fruity red berries with spice hint, juicy	2016	88	2016-2026
but dry and rather blunt.			

Simonsberg Syrah RRRR

	2005	94	2007-2019
2006: deep purple, ripe, velvety fruit with	2006	91	2008-2018
pepper, leather and wood. Still offering			
lots of enjoyment.			

2010: intense, ripe spicy dark fruits. Layers	2010	92	2012-2022
of mocca flavours with mulberry tones. Lovely.			
2015: red rim to purple depth, shy nose then sweet	2015	92	2017-2030
winter red fruit, supple and dry, elegant and very seductive,			
with dusty tannins pointing to great aging ability.			

Red Blend RRR

2015: ruby gloss, forward, fruity nose, complex layers	2015	91	2017-2030
of dark fruit rustic comfort, good backbone, dry tannins			
and lots of promise, will improve.			

The Centaur RRR

2009: tobacco, spice and mint then sweet	2009	94	2011-2020
plums and fynbos. Full bodied, layered and			
sumptuous and will be sensational in			
2/3 years.			

Vine Dried Sauvignon Blanc 500ml RR

2009: deep gold, honey and dried apricots	2009	92	2010-2020
with almonds. Creamy, sweet but not sticky			
and finishing quite dry.			
2011: Gorgeous rich honeyed fruit but	2011	94	2012-2022
fresh and balanced. Superb example of			
160g sugar amongst layers of flavours.			
2014: deep gold hue, delicate nose but lush honey	2014	91	2015-2025
and blood orange layers, clean, rich and nicely poised.			
2017: lemon yellow depth, light, breezy nose, gentle	2017	90	2017-2027
dried fruits, mandarin and pineapple, clean and for			
137g/RS not at all sticky.			