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WO; Stellenbosch





Relaxed and seemingly distant, this friendly wine farm offers good value wines and lovely architecture.

Vintage Score best drinking

Sparkling Rosé RR

NV: straw glossy shine with fast disappearing mousse,	NV	86	1 - 5years
floral and caramel nose, off dry body and very fruity.			
Good fun.			

Silver Myn Sauvignon Blanc R

2011: pale lime, grassy pungent nose	2011	82	2011-2018
yet delicate and light palate. Lots of green			
apple.			
2013: nettles and green fruit on nose and	2013	80	2013-2018
palate in a light and simple style.			
2014: pale lime with youthfull bubbles still	2014	83	2014-2019
and softish white peach and gunmetal.			
2017: firm and metallic steeliness runs	2017	81	2017-2023
through, citrus is rather dulled but pleasant.			
2018: pleasantly softish, retaining acidity, but feeling	2018	84	2018-2025
richer, melon and stone fruit with mineral notes			
throughout.			
2019: lots of zesty citrus apple and lime notes then	2019	85	2019-2026
very dry and noticeably pebbly mineral profile, tangy			
if rather brief.			
2020: pale and with a forward bright nose, zesty if	2020	85	2020-2026

brief lime and melon crunch flavours.			
2021: smoky flint and asparagus nose, light	2021	85	2021-2026
green citrus fruit with an herbaceous note,			
very dry.			
2022: steely lemon and lime fruit, dry and	2022	85	2022-2026
lip-smacking if restrained and somewhat lighter.			

Sauvignon Blanc R

2010: melon, lemon and kiwi fruit nose, bright	2010	86	2010-2018
crisp citrus flavours and mellow long finish.			

Single Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc R

2014: refreshing and startling, crunchy	2014	88	2014-2020
green fruit and real energy. Keeps you			
sipping.			
2017: watery hue with light and brief	2017	78	2017-2023
citrus notes. Some melon and kiwi but			
feeling dilute.			
2019: creamy, viscous nose, very crisp lemon,	2018	87	2018-2025
gooseberry and tropical fruit notes, light but punchy.			

Simone RR

2009: light straw hue, oaky butterscotch	2009	88	2009-2018
nose, spicy herbs, quite tangy, still			
needs time.			
2011: creamy and leesy with white	2011	87	2011-2019
peach notes a touch heavy on the wood.			
2018: pale straw, shy herbal nose, light stone fruit	2018	90	2019-2027
impact with rich, creamy feel, opening to show			
exotic fruit and layers of depth.			
2019: glossy health, rich full nose then luxurious waxy	2019	93	2010-2029
lemon and pear notes with wood background, long,			
layered and silky, the best yet.			

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Silver Myn Rosé R

2017: lovely pale copper hue, dry bite and	2017	83	2017-2023
dull red berry flavours, brisk, rather light,			
but pleasant.			
2018: orange-coral hue, bold red berry nose, full	2018	83	2018-2024
and ripe with strawberry palate, nicely dry, simple			
and satisfying.			
2019: fluorescent salmon-pink, with ripe strawberry	2019	84	2019-2025
nose suggesting sweetness, then weighty and			
round red berry fruitiness, pleasantly dry.			
2020: barely tinted with perfumed dry red berry nose,	2020	85	2020-2026
slightly richer and sweeter palate than suggested, brief,			
smooth and fruity.			
2021: suggests a sweet strawberry and cherry palate,	2021	84	2021-2027
full and viscous, but thankfully finishes fresher and dry.			
2022: copper-salmon tint with chalky skin contact	2022	86	2022-2028
influence, honest and probably the cheapest quality			
rosé in SA.			

Cabernet Franc Rosé R

2014: rasping savoury bite and almost	2014	86	2014-2020
Chewingly dry. Lots of character.			
2017: palest pink, smelling sweet, then	2017	82	2017-2023
raspberry jelly flavours, mid weight and			
clean.			
2018: tinge of rust and a floral, red berry nose,	2018	85	2018-2024
tight and linear with dry, lip-smacking acidity.			
2021: pretty pale salmon, fruity nose then subtle	2021	89	2021-2027
yet rich dried berry, raspberry notes, arresting			
and with personality.			

Petit Verdot RR

2007: stewed fruit cake mix nose, lots of	2007	88	2009-2018
cherry with grippy tannins, damsons and			
prunes. Elegant and arresting.			
2010: delicate perfume, blue fruits and	2010	89	2010-2020
plums with grippy oak tannins.			
2012: developed nose, a touch stewed,	2012	87	2013-2023
but full spice and plum fruit, still enjoyable			
at age six.			
2015: lush ruby and perfumed nose,	2015	90	2016-2026
rich and individual, needing time, but lovely			
already.			
2016: quite deep with cloves and blackberry	2016	89	2018-2027
nose, very dry and full and slowly offers grippy			
plum notes.			
2017: quite deep with smooth silky plum notes,	2017	91	2018-2028
dried fruit tones, medium bodied and lingering,			
the best yet.			

Silver Myn Argentum R

2008: alluring fruit nose, sweet plums	2008	88	2009-2018
with grippy acid and tannins over ripe			
cassis and cedar. Long finish.			
2010: bitter black fruits with dry tannins	2010	87	2010-2020
and a supple fruity attack.			
2013: harmonious blend, nicely fruited	2013	84	2013-2022
with some structure, rather blunt flavours,			
though.			
2016: pale ruby, juicy and nicely balanced	2016	84	2016-2024
with some bite.			
2017: fruity and deep, with dark cherry notes and	2017	85	2017-2027
spice, supple and accessible.			
2018: liquorice, mixed spice and blackcurrant notes	2018	86	2018-2028
on this fruity and supple red, simple but very satisfying.			

2019: pale depth, bright blue fruited nose and palate,	<mark>2019</mark>	86	2019-2028
clean forward and easy-going.			
2020: deliciously supple mixed berry fruits, some	2020	87	2020-2028
earthy forest spice and full mouthfeel, terrific value.			
2021: some gritty spice on a juicy dark winter berry	2021	86	2021-2028
wine, easy and modest.			

Cabernet Franc RR

2009: heavy yet understated nose, leafy	2009	89	2010-2018
tobacco and oaky palate. Sour cherries			
then a sweeter fruit finish. Good with food			
and very classy.			
2012: mid weight and colour, green tomato	2012	87	2012-2020
nose and firmly green and blueberry palate.			
2013: pale tint, shy nose, tight and grippy	2013	86	2013-2023
structure with rustic fruit satisfaction.			
2016: leafy classic nose, soft and juicy entry,	2016	86	2016-2027
restrained red berry layers, supple and a good			
food match.			
2017: tangy dry fruit with tobacco and savoury	2017	87	2018-2028
rustic grip, berry fruited and a touch astringent finish.			
2018: glossy shine and intense perfumed nose then	2018	90	2019-2029
sweet and smooth lush fruit with herbs and oak support.			

Silver Myn Merlot R

2009: bold lozenge nose, cinnamon and	2009	87	2010-2018
fruit cake with intense black cherry palate,			
tannic, dry but short.			

Merlot RR

2016: mid ruby, firm and resolute, full bodied and	2016	87	2017-2027
chunky with satisfying rustic briary fruit.			
2017: savoury oak texture, dry and dusty tannins,	2017	88	2018-2027

cherry and forest fruit grip, needs food accompaniment.

2018: mid depth, wood note and dark berry nose,	2018	90	2019-2028
seriously fruited with rich velvety plum notes, ripe			
and alluring.			

Malbec RR

2016: overt plum ad mint nose, medicinal hint with	2016	87	2017-2027
herbs and mulberries, very nice and not heavy.			
2017: fruity rich perfumed plums, lots of mint, black	2017	88	2018-2028
fruits and wood, dry and abrupt.			

Silver Myn Stellenbosch Reserve RR

2012: beautifully balanced Bordeaux blend, aging with	2012	90	2014-2024
Leather, dark chocolate and cigar box, but still with			
blackcurrant and plum freshness, fine tannins, structure			
and elegance.			

Silver Myn Cabernet Sauvignon R

2009: cedar and herbs with dusty tannins	2009	86	2010-2018
and sinewy, muscular fruit. Dry, serious			
and well crafted.			

Silver Myn Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve RR

2016: full of lush mulberry and blackcurrant fruit,	2016	91	2018-2025
yet with structure and fine tannins, a well-balanced,			
rich and compelling wine.			

Cabernet Sauvignon RR

2006: some brick hue ageing, but still	2006 91	2008-2019
heady blackcurrant perfume. Soft,		
integrated, balanced; a delightful		
wine of pedigree.		
2009: mid hue and weight, dry attack	2009 89	2009-2020
with lightly oaky blackcurrant notes.		
2014: competent, dark and spicy,	2014 84	2014-2025
clean if lacking a point of view.		
2016: softish attack, then juicy and mouthfilling,	2016 87	2016-2027
smooth black fruit in an easy-going style.		
2017: scented nose of lavender and plum, bold	2017 91	2019-2029
and showing graphite wood, full and grippy and		
will improve.		
2018: mid weighted with a shy nose then grippy tannins	2018 90	2019-2028
on bold and intense blueberry and cassis, a winter		
warmer.		

Richelle RRR

2006: brooding cedar and blackcurrant	2006	91	2009-2019
nose, ageing characters of dark berries,			
spice and lean oak. Classic and still			
powerful.			
2009; muscular and reticent, with soft	2009	89	2010-2022
plum notes and smooth new oak texture.			
Still feels young at six.			
2017: very deep and perfumed, with a lush	2017	92	2019-2029
exotic nose, currant and fleshy plum richness,			
good balance and length, a classy wine.			

Natural Sweet Sauvignon Blanc RR

2012: after 3 yrs in barrel and 3 in bottle,	2012	88	2012-2022
this 30gRS wine is full of dried fruit and			
walnuts. Very nice.			