



2021 CERNO PRIVATE CELLAR RESERVE

Our exclusive Cerno is a terroir-based blend of noble varieties that best epitomize the virtues of our complex and time worn soils. Cerno in Latin means to sift through or unearth. We chose this name because Andrew Barns, our winemaker, has been single mindedly working towards the goal of trying to unearth this wine for over 6 years. After extensive work in the vineyards and nursery, Andrew has chosen components from various and unique sites on our estate that blend together to create a harmonious that has been defined as "Timeless", "Symphonic" and "Demonstrates great depth".

APPEARANCE

Alluring, deep ruby colour with a slight hue of garnet in the rim.

NOSE

An array of perfectly ripe mulberries, black berries and raspberries backed up by smooth cedar and oak spice. This complex aroma profile is finished off by the pleasant scent of forest floor after summer rain.

AGEING POTENTIAL

This amazing wine can be enjoyed right now and can also be laid to rest for 10 to 15 years.

FOOD PAIRING

This wine pairs absolutely beautifully with succulent lamb draped in raspberry juice. Dark chocolate infused with salted caramel also brings the best out of our flagship wine.

WINE MAKING INFORMATION

Alcohol: 13,88% vol.
Residual Sugar: 2. g/l.
Total Acidity: 5.8 g/l.
pH: 3.53
VA: 0.72 g/l



PALATE

Silky smooth tannins round off flavours of blackberry jam and beautifully ripe plum. This wine is full bodied yet elegant and can be indulged in right now, but will benefit from 10-15 years of aging. The long-lasting aftertaste of dark berry fruit and sweet spice will leave anybody opening a bottle of Cerno wanting more.

Yields per Hectare:
8 Tons per hectare

Cases produced:
408 cases of 6 produced

Appellation:
Wine of Origin, Western Cape

Filtration and fining:
Minimum fining with a single pass filtration.

Varietal composition:
85% Merlot; 8% Cabernet Sauvignon;
7% Cabernet Franc

Wood treatment:
18 months in a combination of tight grain
French and American oak.