

SAVAGE

2018 Follow The Line



HISTORY

Duncan Savage introduced his own label in 2011 with a goal to produce rock-solid, classic and elegant wines. Duncan sources grapes for Savage wines from maritime and high altitude sites around the Western Cape in South Africa. These small, hand-selected parcels receive a lot of love and attention throughout the growing season. Each vineyard's unique terroir contributes in its own special way to the blends.

This wine is dedicated to the loving memory of Duncan's good mate, Boetie Van Reenen, who tragically lost his life far too young.

VINIFICATION

Dry farmed 38-year-old bush vines grown exclusively on one property in Darling. The Cinsault was planted the year Boetie was born, he spent many years working the vines and soil. The 2018 includes 86% Cinsault and a slightly elevated 14% of Syrah, which were aged five weeks on their skins with the use of 50% of whole-bunches. The wine was then aged 10 months in oval foudres.

TASTING NOTES

Sublimely perfumed and fragrant, with lifted layers of dried lavender, violets, rose petals, red crystallised cherries and hints of Turkish delight. The wine is classy, sleek with polished mineral tannins and an all-round sense of finesse and harmony.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

VARIETALS:	86% Cinsault, 14% Syrah
ALC:	13%
RESIDUAL SUGAR:	1.8 G/L
TOTAL ACIDITY:	4.7 G/L
PH:	3.71

SCORES

95 points, Greg Sherwood MW, 2019

94 points, Tim Atkin MW, 2019

93 points, Wine Spectator, 2020

93 points, Vinous, 2019

