

Seriously Old Dirt 2019

VILAFONTÉ, PAARL, SOUTH AFRICA



HARVEST & VINTAGE NOTES

Though more firmly structured than recent predecessors, 2019 vintage remains true to the essence of Seriously Old Dirt, with an approachable, youthful energy.

In the shadow of the persistent drought condition, the preceding winter to harvest 2019 saw the drought break with good rainfall - forming the basis for a good vintage to follow. Fluctuating weather conditions saw an uneven budbreak, which required in-bunch sorting to maintain quality. Weather conditions improved at the onset of summer. Warmer weather in November was conducive to vineyard growth. A testament in resilience of the winegrowing team, the wines of this vintage show freshness, concentration and elegance.

Fermented in stainless steel and matured for eighteen months in older French oak barriques. 2019 displays a brilliant, deep garnet-red colour. This wine delivers layers of fresh fruit on the nose; plum, black cherry, and blackberry along with warm notes of baking spice and vanilla pod. Subtle liquorice and seductive tobacco and hazelnut add a luxurious dimension. Flavors of ripe black cherry develop into lovely mineral notes, along with a lingering finish. Sumptuous and supple, with a line of acidity, giving elegance and balance.



94
POINTS
Decanter
Decanter, 2021



92
POINTS
GREG SHERWOOD MW
Greg Sherwood, February 2021

vilafonté

WINEMAKER: Chris de Vries

GRAPES: 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Malbec, 5% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 2.5 g/L

PH: 3.64

TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.6 g/L

TOTAL SULPHUR: 104 mg/L

