

# Cecilia



## CECILIA WINES SYRAH 2020



### **What's in a name?**

Whilst being a family name, Cecilia also pays homage to the patron of musicians. Winemaker Cerina van Niekerk combines her passion for music, wine and community uplifting by making wines from characterful vineyards and funding a music uplifting project from the income.

### **The vineyard**

Cecilia Shiraz is made from a bush vine vineyard close to Darling in the West Coast region of South Africa. Cool air from the nearby Atlantic Ocean, deep granite soils and low yielding bush vines deliver grapes that are exceptionally concentrated and packed with flavour.

### **Winemaking**

The grapes were crushed and the must fermented with a combination of punch down and pump overs. After alcoholic fermentation 50% of the wine was raked into inert 500 litre French oak barrels and 50 % into 225 litre French oak barrels for malolactic fermentation. It matured for a further 15 months prior to bottling.

### **Tasting notes**

An opaque colour hints toward the dense layers of red and black berry fruit with subtle cracked pepper underneath which unfold on the nose. The palate of this full-bodied wine is well structured and rounded off with smooth, ripe tannins.

### **Cecilia Foundation**

A percentage of the sales is transferred into the Cecilia Foundation NPO from where the funds are utilized to provide music exposure and education to under privileged children in the Citrusdal area of the Western Cape in South Africa.

### **Wine of Origin:**

Darling, South Africa

### **Analysis:**

Alcohol: 14.5%

TA: 5.5 g/l

RS: 4.1 g/l

pH: 3.6

FSO<sub>2</sub>: 42 mg/l

TSO<sub>2</sub>: 119 mg/l