

THE TERROIR RANGE

Skuinsberg Cinsaut 2021

Cinsaut has been the forgotten hero of great South African blends from as far back as the 60s. So much so, that when Danie Jnr presented his dad with a barrel sample of his own personal project, Danie Snr exclaimed: "That's the best Pinot Noir you've ever made!" Skuinsberg Cinsaut, named after the vineyards' steep hill, has been admired for producing elegantly perfumed expressions of this single varietal ever since.

TASTING NOTE

Lovely dense earthy savory sun dried strawberry and bramble berry fruit nose. Full and fleshy, this is showy, bright and mouthwatering, displaying a crunchy edge, saline acidity and a fine sweet macerated red currant finish.

GRAPE VARIETY

100% Cinsaut

IN THE VINEYARD

Skuinsberg Cinsaut was planted in 1991 on the steepest slope on Kaapzicht: hence the name Skuinsberg/steephill (the steep hills have claimed quite a few tractors over the past 40 years!). The soil has low potential, weathered granite – resulting in smaller berries and lower yields. On average we get between 10-13 tons from the 2.1 ha block.

IN THE CELLAR

Grapes hand-harvested from the steepest slopes on Kaapzicht Estate planted in 1991. The grapes are crushed and destemmed and fermented with an inoculated culture of biodynamic yeast for 4 days on the skins. After completion of malo-lactic conversion, the wine is racked and transferred to 225l old barrels for ageing. After 10 months in barrel the wine is blended and bottled

AGEING

3–5 years

ALCOHOL	TOTAL ACIDITY	RESIDUAL SUGAR	PH
12.71%	5.1g/l	1.8g/l	3.53

