

#### **SAVANHA SHIRAZ 2021**

#### WINEMAKER:

Lizanne Jordaan

## **ORIGIN:**

Breede River valley, Western Cape

#### **SOIL & TERROIR:**

The grapes are sourced from trellised and bush vines. The bush vines are between 12 and 22-years-old and receive supplementary drip irrigation. The vines grow in a combination of alluvial, well-drained and aerated soils and decomposed granite soils based along the mountain foothills of the Breedekloof. Located less than one hour's drive from the Atlantic ocean, the vineyard benefits from a cooling breeze that encourages slow ripening. Here, temperatures are moderate, reaching a height of 26°C in summer and enjoying 40mm - 200mm of rain in the winter season.

## **WINEMAKING:**

The grapes were machine- and hand-harvested at optimum ripeness, destemmed and gently crushed. The juice was chilled at between 10° and 12°C to enable cold maceration before fermentation in stainless steel tanks. Daily pump-overs were carried out during fermentation to extract further colour and flavour. Wines showing well-preserved fruit were selected for blending and fining. Sterile bottling took place 6 months after maturation.

## **ANALYSIS:**

| Alc | 14.5 % vol | TA | 5.7 g/L |
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| RS  | 4.0 g/L    | рН | 3.63    |

### APPEARANCE:

Dark ruby red in colour.

## **TASTING NOTE:**

A fruit filled wine with a smoky undertone and black pepper flavour. A soft tannin structure supports sweet dark berries on the palate.

# **PAIR WITH:**

Delicious on its own or served with a creamy mushroom and pepper sauce chargrilled fillet, sweet potato wedges, chorizo paella, chicken drumsticks or slowcooked pork hocks and dried fruit sauce.

