



## Collection Grenache Noir 2019



Glen Carlou is situated in the Simonsberg-Paarl region of South Africa's Western Cape.

Our vineyard blocks encompass a variety of slopes and aspects - each is nurtured according to its own unique potential, respecting the natural cycles of the vines.

Our 145 hectare property transferred back to local ownership when in 2016, Glen Carlou was purchased by a South African family consortium.

Significant investments have been made for the vineyard replanting programme, one of several initiatives implemented since the change in ownership. Robust drought resistant rootstocks and new clones are being planted to increase the hectares under vine.

The rich tapestries of passionate people interwoven with insightful custodians have shaped and continue to develop Glen Carlou. A splendid storyline supports our desirable international reputation of being a trusted, highly awarded and respected wine brand.

**Wine of Origin** Piekenierskloof

### In the Vineyard

The non-irrigated old bush vines grow on sandy, loam soils in the Paleisheuvel Plateau, in the Piekenierskloof appellation. With a high attention to detail by the grower, the crop is managed to yield at best 6 tons per hectare. This lower yield contributes to the creation of an elegant wine, distinctive and characteristic of the variety.

### In the Cellar

The wine was naturally fermented in 2<sup>nd</sup> fill French oak barriques, and left on the skins for 4 months. Only 2 barrels of this wine were made, with extreme care and diligence to preserve the lovely and gentle fruit of a not that frequently encountered single bottling of Grenache Noir.

### In the Glass

"Alluring and attention-grabbing aromas of violet perfume mingling with a sweet spice and hints of cut watermelon. Seamless tannins wash over the palate showing light strawberry fruit integrated with fresh herbs revealing a bright delicate complexity. The palate is smooth and soft with beautiful berry fruit that lingers. An elegant tannin structure rounds off this accessible wine. Best enjoyed a little cooler than conventional reds". Johnnie Calitz (winemaker)

**Wine Analysis** Alc. 14% R.S. 2.1g/l T.A. 6.0g/l pH 3.43