

Varietal composition:
Pinot Noir

**Appellation:** Breedekloof

Alcohol: 14 %

Wine style
Dry 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 Sweet





# Silkbush Pinot Noir 2021 Winemakers Selection

#### Winemaker Notes

Our Winemakers Selection range focus on the selection of small batches of grapes from specific blocks, carefully vinified by the winemaker to create cultivar- and terroir specific wines. Our success with growing Pinotage inspired us to try our hand at Pinot Noir, one of Pinotage's parents. And what a pleasant result: We reduced yields by about 50% to get the desired concentration of flavours. Again, the typical Silkbush characteristics of ample fruit and soft yet lingering taste shows on this wine.

Picked at 24Balling, we destemmed the bunches. Whole berries and 20% whole bunches went into small open top fermenters. Punch downs three times a day. Post fermentation the wine went through malo lactic fermentation in barrels and then spent about 14 months in 2nd and 3rd fill barrels after which it was racked and bottled.

### What's in the name

Silkbush Mountain Vineyards hails its name from the Sybasberg (Afrikaans for Silkbush Mountain), one of the highest peaks above our vineyards. Sybasberg by its turn gets its name from the Sybasboom (Silkbush) that grows



in isolated corners of our mountain. The Silkbush leaves, when torn, produces silky threads of latex – hence its name. Just as special and unique as the Silkbush is, so is our soils, slopes, and vineyards. This is manifested in our wines – you can taste the unique mountain terroir.

## **Tasting Notes**

This is a medium bodied Pinot Noir with black currant, pomegranate and brambles on the nose and the palate showing dark chocolate, sour cherries, and vanilla on the palate. Served chilled.

## Food pairing

This wine pairs very well with mild cheese, duck, chicken, and pasta dishes.

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