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Allesverloren

ALLESVERLOREN TINTA BAROCCA 2012

Winemaker: Danie Malan

Appellation: Swartland

Grape varietal: Tinta Barocca

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Background

Allesverloren, situated on the south-eastern slopes of the Kasteelberg near Riebeeck West, is the oldest estate in the Swartland Wine of Origin district and is renowned for its red wines and port.

The farm, which dates back to 1704, began producing wine exactly one century later. In 1872 Allesverloren was acquired by Daniel Francois Malan and has remained in the Malan family for five generations.

Winemaker Danie Malan and his late father, Fanie, were among the wine pioneers of the Swartland, ably demonstrating the outstanding wine growing potential of what was once considered the breadbasket of the Cape. While wheat remains the major crop in the region, increasing numbers of wine farms are established each year to take advantage of the beneficial terroir.

Vineyards

The dryland, trellised vineyards, situated 140m above sea level and facing south-east, were planted between 1958 and 1996.

Winemaking

The grapes were hand-harvested at 23° to 25° Balling in mid-February. The juice was fermented on the skins for five to seven days at 25°C. After malolactic fermentation the wine was aged in wood for eight months, using new, second- and third-fill French oak barrels.

Winemaker's comments

Colour: Deep ruby red.

Bouquet: A combination of red berry fruit s with a hint of chocolate, vanilla and oak spice aromas.

Taste: An elegant, medium- to full-bodied wine with intense berry fruit and subtle oak spice aromas. Tannins are well-structured and linger on the finish.

Food pairing:

Excellent served with game and grilled or roasted red meat.

Chemical analysis

Alcohol: 14,4% by volume

Residual sugar: 1,75 g/l

Total acidity: 5.52 g/l

pH: 3,36

