

MERLOT POTSTILL BRANDY 10-YEAR-OLD VINTAGE 2011

BACKGROUND

Ten years ago, Martin Moore envisioned a uniquely coolclimate brandy that would be the perfect ending to a meal spent in great company. This exceptional brandy is crafted from Durbanville-origin Merlot grapes, potstilled, oak-matured for 10 years and finished in ex-Durbanville Hills Merlot barrels.

THE VINEYARDS AND WINEMAKING

This brandy is made from 100% Merlot grapes, sourced from the eastern side of the valley. The grapes were picked at 21°Balling and crushed, settled and fermented without any SO2. The dry wine was transported with the gross lees to Worcester where it was distilled and matured.

DISTILLATION AND MATURATION

The wine was slow distilled in small (920 L) copper potstills. After double distillation, the heart fraction was matured in small lots of 10, hand-selected, oak barrels of different ages for 10 years. The spirit was finally finished in ex-Durbanville Hills Merlot casks and non-chill filtered, yielding a complex, handcrafted brandy of exceptional quality.

WINEMAKER

Martin Moore

COLOUR

Amber with a burgundy undertone.

NOSE

Mulberries, vanilla, glazed cherries and dried fruit with cinnamon, cedar wood and mint in the background.

TASTE

Raspberries and cherry fruit cake, milky chocolate, vanilla and subtle hints of thyme. Smooth and full-bodied with lingering fruit and well-integrated oak.

Enjoy this potstill brandy neat or on the rocks.

ALCOHOL

38%

RESIDUAL SUGAR

5 g/L

