

MAGDALENA

THE LANDSCAPE SERIES

2022 SEMILLON

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ABOUT

The Landscape Series is a range of five wines that show the best of Gabriëlskloof's vineyards, together with some special old vine treasures, and aims to give an honest representation of the elements that make them unique. We wanted the labels to reflect this approach and commissioned Niël Jonker – well-known for his landscape panels painted on location – to capture the spirit of our Overberg landscapes.

VINEYARD NOTES

Some 65% of the old-vine Semillon is from Goederust, Franschhoek, and 24% from Paardebosch, Swartland. A small percentage of Sauvignon Blanc from Oudam (Citrusdal area) was added for freshness. We experienced later ripening than in 2021, positively affecting flavour development.

WINEMAKING

All fruit was whole bunch pressed and 100% wild fermented in older 400- and 500L French barrels. The wine spent ten months on its lees before blending and bottling.

TASTING NOTE

An edgy, dense and altogether more intense vintage. Complexity and depth on the nose with crushed bay leaves and spearmint alongside lime curd, fresh fennel bulb, and light honey. This vintage keeps its distinctive macadamia nut character filling out the palate but is notable for a smoky, saline quality that hints at nori. Power and focus that will age beyond 2030.

TECHNICAL

Alc 13.64 | RS 2.0 | TA 5.9 | pH 3.24

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