

THE BLEND 2017

60% Cab Sauv, 15% Cab Franc, 15% Petit Verdot and 10% Malbec

Release date: May 2019

Gabriëlskloof is a family-owned-and-run wine estate just outside Botrivier. The farm and vineyards were established in 2000, with our first vintage made in the cellar in 2009. Some years on, we are confident that as our roots dig ever deeper into Botrivier, our understanding of the terroir will grow, along with wines that elegantly, understatedly, simply speak for themselves.

ABOUT

The Blend is part of the Gabriëlskloof Estate range of wines, together with our Rosebud, Sauvignon Blanc, Chenin Blanc and Syrah. This range offers a selection of boutique style wines that always over-deliver on quality and value.

CLIMATE & VITICULTURE

Botrivier has a Mediterranean climate, which means longer growing seasons with moderate to warm temperatures. The conditions leading up to the 2017 harvest were hot and dry for the second consecutive year, leading to smaller berries and even more concentrated flavours.

VINIFICATION

All the fruit was hand-picked and whole bunch pressed. Fermentation and ageing took place in barrel and in tank, and maturation over 12 months in second- and third-fill barrels.

TASTING NOTE

The nose is plush and perfumed with blackcurrant, red cherry, dried peach and anise. A medium-bodied palate with firm, fine tannins and hints of dark chocolate. Finishes with a fresh but lingering aftertaste.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

Alcohol	15 % volume
Residual Sugar	3 g/l
Total Acid	5.8 g/l
pH	3.56



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