

THE BLEND 2016

51% Cabernet Sauvignon | 18% Cabernet Franc | 17% Malbec | 14% Petit Verdot

Release date: December 2017

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 2016 harvest were hot and dry, leading to smaller berries and 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 cassis, black pepper, anise, black cherry and tobacco. A medium to full bodied palate with soft and juicy tannins and hints of dark chocolate finishes with a fresh but lingering aftertaste.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

Alcohol	14.5 % volume
Residual Sugar	1.5 g/l
Total Acid	5.6 g/l
pH	3.46



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