

Waterford Estate

Library Collection Petit Verdot

2016



Cultivars:	Petit Verdot	
Region:	Stellenbosch	
Quantity:	598 bottles	
Ageing:	Aged in French oak 225L barrels for 19 months. 3rd fill and older.	
Wine Analysis:	Alc	13.85
	RS	1.8
	TA	5.5
	pH	3.7

TASTING NOTE

Intense and dark colour to the wine which is very characteristic of the tiny, berried grape, Petit Verdot. A dominant aroma of dark chocolate covered with layers of light violet and nutmeg spice. The palate presents a full-bodied wine with rich flavours, yet finishes with more elegance than expected due to the lovely fresh acidity. The perfect reflection of Petit Verdot and why it is such an important component to The Jem blend as providing stability and longevity.

VINEYARD

The small vineyard, just less than a hectare, is planted on Waterford Estate on the slightly cooler slopes of the Helderberg mountain.

VINTAGE REVIEW 2016

A vintage that will be remembered for drought and heat. Luckily for Waterford Estate's location on the Helderberg mountain and the near proximity to the ocean, the vineyards could cool down overnight. The lack of water resulted in light bunches with tiny berries, great for red wine colour and flavour. The heat also resulted in wines being lower in acidity. Red wines performed exceptionally well.

