

LADY MAY, GLENELLY

Vintage

2017



Lady May is Glenelly's flagship estate wine, a blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot and Merlot from their vineyards in Stellenbosch.

TASTING NOTE

Lady May is Glenelly's flagship estate wine. The 2017 Bordeaux blend (90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Cabernet franc, 4% Petit Verdot) pays tribute to the pedigree of its legendary owner, May de Lencquesaing - balanced, refined and mineral. Etched with underlining fruit power, it is fresh, stylish and subtle with dense age worthy tannins and a long, tight finish. (Magnums available)

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

Winter was late, but cold enough to allow dormancy of our vines. Low rainfall brought low soil moisture levels which led to managing stress in the vines later in the season via drip irrigation. Luckily spring sprung with good, even bud burst. Warm weather for the season with little to no rain. This led to smaller berries appearing and lower bunch mass. Although there were more bunches on the vines to make up the yield. The harvest was earlier than usual and larger than in previous years

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol	Residual sugar
14.5	2.1
pH	Acidity
3.55	5.8











VINIFICATION DETAILS

The grapes were lightly crushed into stainless steel tanks and fermentation started with indigenous yeast and a mixture of rack-and-returns and open pump-overs. Post-fermentation skin contact lasted 2 to 3 weeks before gentle pressing and transferring into new French oak barrels where malolactic fermentation took place. The wine stayed on its lees for a considerable period of time before racking (on average, every 4 months) and enjoyed a maturation of 24 months in new French oak barrels.

AWARDS

Tim Atkin MW: 97 pts
IWSC: Silver
Platter: 5*

ATTRIBUTES

 Origin South Africa	 Variety Red Blend	 Malolactic Fermentation Yes	 Bottle Size 75cl	 Vegetarian Yes
 Winemaker Luke O'Cuinneagain	 Finning Agent None	 Closure Cork	 Region Simonsberg, Stellenbosch	 Vegan Yes