

## KADETTE CAPE BLEND, KANONKOP



Vintage

2022



As with all Kanonkop wines, Kadette Cape Blend is both produced and bottled at Kanonkop.

## TASTING NOTE

A blend of 33% Pinotage, 32% Cabernet Sauvignon, 31% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc, 2% Petit Verdot. Bright deep ruby red colour. The nose shows cassis, raspberries, cherries, black plums, cinnamon, allspice and a hint of chocolate. The palate is lively and fresh, with succulent summer berry flavours. The fruit is supported by a firm, yet silky tannin structure. Savoury notes persist on the lengthy finish.

(Magnums available - enquire for vintage)

## VINTAGE CONDITIONS

2022 was the latest vintage in the past 25 years, about 2 weeks later than normal. A proper cold winter with enough rain, that resulted in budbreak that was 2 weeks late. The earlier part of the season was quite cool, with December showing lower maximum and minimum temperatures. January was more moderate with a couple of hot days. Slow ripening conditions resulted in concentrated fruit development and palate weight.

#### VINIFICATION DETAILS

Fermentation took place in open top concrete fermenters at 280C. The floating skins were punched down mechanically, every 2 hours during fermentation. The juice was drawn off the skins after 3 – 5 days. After malolactic fermentation the wine was matured for 12 months in older French Nevers oak barrels.

**AWARDS** 

Tim Atkin MW: 90pts

# TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol	Residual sugar
14.1	2.3
рН	Acidity
3.66	5.8

## ATTRIBUTES

