SECKFORD AGENCIES

KANONKOP

KADETTE CABERNET SAUVIGNON, KANONKOP

Vintage 2023



Kadette means “young officer'' or ''younger brother'' – this wine is made from younger vineyards and is the younger version of the wines in our Estate Range. First released in 2019, Cabernet Sauvignon is the youngest brother.

TASTING NOTE

Bright ruby colour with a prominent nose of vanilla, ripe cassis, black cherries and hint of bell pepper. The palate is packed with juicy red fruit, a hint of meatiness and tomato cocktail. The wine is rounded off with satisfying, grippy and refreshing finish.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

2023 was the latest vintage in the past 25 years, about 2 weeks later than normal. We had a proper cold winter with enough rain, that resulted in a 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. We had slow ripening conditions that resulted in concentrated fruit development and palate weight.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol	Residual sugar
14.0	2.4
pH	**Acidity**
3.51	5.9

VINIFICATION DETAILS

Fermentation took place in open top concrete fermenters at 28oC. 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 225L French oak barrels.

AWARDS

Wine Advocate: 90 pts

ATTRIBUTES

Origin	Variety	Malolactic Fermentation	Bottle Size	Vegetarian
South Africa	Cabernet Sauvignon	Yes	75cl	Yes

Winemaker	Fining Agent	Closure	Region	Vegan
Abrie Beeslaar	None	Cork	Stellenbosch	Yes