



FOUNDED 1693

FAIRVIEW

Established in 1693, Fairview cellar with its spectacular view of Table Mountain lies on the southwestern slopes of Paarl at the Cape of Good Hope. My grandfather purchased Fairview in 1937 and I am the third generation of my family to make wine here. We have vineyards in the leading coastal grape producing areas, where geographic and climatic diversity allows us to craft a range of truly distinctive wines, complemented by Fairview's range of award winning artisanal cheeses. To Life!

 Charles Back

Fairview Carignan Syrah 2017



IN THE VINEYARD:

The Carignan is from one of the oldest blocks of Carignan in the country, planted in 1981 on the slopes of the Kasteel Mountain in the Swartland.

The Syrah is from dryland bushvines planted in decomposed granite and shift soils in the Swartland. Both these cultivars do well in the dry challenging climate of the Swartland.

HARVEST DATE:

Syrah 12 Feb 2017

Carignan 3 March 2017

WINEMAKING:

Grapes were destalked and lightly crushed before fermentation took place in open top foudre (wooden vats). The vineyards were fermented separately on the skins for 10 days and then basket pressed. Malolactic fermentation was completed in oak barrels of which a small percentage was new barrels (only Shiraz portion). The wine was racked and sent to barrel for 20 months. The wine was aged in 225L French barrels with approximately 20 % new wood being used. The components were then specially selected, blended and bottled.

TASTING NOTE:

Intense burgundy in the glass. Notes of black berries, plum, savoury spice and pepper on the nose. The palate is medium-bodied with fruity flavours of spices complemented by a velvety, luscious mouthfeel. The wine finishes with well structured, elegant tannins and a good acidity. This wine will age well for 5 to 7 years.

FOOD RECOMMENDATION:

Drinking well now, sip this perfect midweek bottle alongside barbecued meats. A bold wine like this can even hold up to the intense flavors of slow-roasted barbecue pork.

PREVIOUS AWARDS:

2014: 4 Stars - Platter's Wine Guide 2017

2013: Top 100 SA Wines 2015

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| Wine of Origin | Swartland |
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| Alcohol | 14.26% |
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| Residual sugar | 3.7 g/l |
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| Total acid | 5.3 g/l |
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| pH | 3.49 |
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Varieties

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| Carignan | 60% |
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| Shiraz | 40% |
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| Closure | Natural Cork |
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