

FACT SHEET

Teardrop Viognier 2022

W.O. BREEDEKLOOF



CULTIVARS

Viognier 100%

ANALYSIS

Alc: 14% | R.S: 1.3 g/l | T.A: 5.8g/l | pH: 3.44

AWARDS

Platter's Wine Guide 2023: 41/2 stars

Wine magazine- 90 points

TASTING NOTES

A fresh and vibrant Viognier with peach, lemon peel and white blossom aromas and a touch of honey and white peach on the palate. The wine is both rich and refreshing

AGEING POTENTIAL

This wine will continue to improve in bottle over 3-5 years.

THE VINEYARD

Viognier grapes were sourced from a single mountain side block in the Bredekloof. The site is north -west facing, which brings a large amount of sunlight, resulting in bright intense flavours. It is one of the highest sites for Viognier in the Cape at around 600 metres above sea level. Yields are naturally low at around six tonnes per hectare.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were whole-bunch pressed and fermented in 1 x 600-litre egg shapes tank and 1 x 500 liter old barrel and 1 x 300-litre 2nd fill barrel. The ferment started with wild yeast.

Total production 1,680 bottles.

THE STORY OF THIS WINE

Teardrop is a female African wild dog who was part of a pack at Tswalu in the Kalahari. She moved into an adjacent property where the landowner then shot her. Though she suffered serious injury, her spirit was huge, and the veterinary team at the reserve managed to rehabilitate her over a six-month period. She was moved to Gorongosa Game Reserve in Mozambique, where Painted Wolves have been successfully reintroduced after a 25-year absence.



Painted Wolf Wines supports the conservation of the highly endangered painted wolf (African wild dog) and the protection of the diminishing wild spaces of Africa, through its donations to the EWT – www.ewt.org.za and Tusk – www.tusk.org.