

FACT SHEET



Painted Wolf Wines supports the conservation of the highly endangered painted wolf (African wild dogs) 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.

Pictus VI - 2017

W.O. COASTAL REGION

CULTIVARS

Grenache Blanc 43% | Chenin Blanc 37% | Viognier 20%

ANALYSIS

Alc: 13.17% | R.S: 3.8 g/l | T.A: 6.1 g/l | pH: 3.35

AWARDS

Platter's Wine Guide 2020: 4 stars
 Six Nations Wine Challenge 2019: Double Gold
 Tim Atkin South Africa Report 2019: 92 points
 Veritas Awards 2018: Silver



TASTING NOTES

An elegant, rich wine with a broad mouthfeel and a fresh finish. A focused melange of stone fruit, citrus, mineral and spice.

AGEING POTENTIAL

Pictus VI will mature in bottle for 4 - 6 years from vintage.

THE VINEYARD

Created from Grenache Blanc produced by the Foundry in Stellenbosch blended with old vine Chenin Blanc grapes grown on two sites in the Agter Paarl and Viognier from Kasteelsig Vineyard, both of which were vinified by our wine maker Jeremy Borg. Jeremy then put together this blend.

WINEMAKING

2017 was a dry vintage. We are usually able to buy Roussanne and Viognier grapes, but not in 2017. We were thrilled to be able to buy the Grenache Blanc component. The Chenin Blanc and Viognier grapes were hand-picked into small baskets and whole-bunch pressed before being barrel-fermented with wild yeast in 500-litre barrels of various ages and left on the lees for nine months.

Total production 7,000 bottles.

THE STORY OF THIS WINE

Pictus is named after the scientific name for an African wild dog, *Lycaon Pictus*, meaning Wolf in Greek and Painted in Latin. Pictus is made with meticulous care and blended from our favourite wines of the vintage. Each vintage is labelled with a different piece of artwork. The artwork for Pictus VI is a watercolour by our dear friend and co-conspirator in all things design and art, Lori Bentley.