
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 II – 2010 - Magnum

W.O. SWARTLAND

CULTIVARS

Shiraz 92% | Pinotage 4% | Grenache 4%

ANALYSIS

Alc: 14.5% | R.S: 4g/l | T.A: 5.9g/l | Ph: 3.54

TASTING NOTES

An intense, brooding, full-bodied, spicy blend with perfect balance and a long finish.

AGEING POTENTIAL

Pictus 2010 should mature in the bottle for 10 years or more.

THE VINEYARD

Sourced from Kasteelsig in Malmesbury, Swartland, a vineyard comprising mainly red Glenrosa soil with some Oakleaf - both shale-rich duplex soils. The vineyards were un-irrigated and were undergoing organic conversion.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand-picked into small baskets and taken to the cellar to be hand-sorted and crushed into small open fermenters. The cap was punched down several times and the wine was pressed with a basket press. The wine was aged in a blend of American (75%) and French (25%) 225- and 300-litre barrels for 18 months, with approximately 70% new wood, and bottled in September 2011.

Total production 500 magnums. 750ml sold out.

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 art work for Pictus 2010 features the painting 'Moremi Wild Dogs' by artist [Saskia 'Crocbaït' von Sperber](http://www.saskiaart.com).