

KLEIN CONSTANTIA

— 1685 —

Estate Red Blend



Vintage	2023
General	Our intention for the Estate Red Blend was to produce a wine that represents our unique location. Over the years we have selected varieties that best suit our terroir, planting them on the lower and warmer slopes of Klein Constantia. Located in one of the coolest wine growing regions in South Africa, we are able to achieve ripeness in conjunction with delicate tannins, allowing us to create a more elegant and refined red wine.
Description	Expressive and layered, the 2023 is a fruit forward vintage with both red berries and dark fruit complemented by notes of wood spice, cigar box and graphite. The palate is rich and spicy, showing lovely intensity and depth of flavour. Dark cherry and cocoa notes dominate, supported by a finely layered tannin structure, beautifully highlighted by the Petit Verdot component. The wine's powerful frame is balanced by freshness and elegance, leading to a long, persistent finish of dark chocolate and spice.
Grape variety	69% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Petit Verdot & 9% Shiraz
Wine record	Each parcel is carefully identified and blocks are split into multiple portions in order to harvest at the perfect ripeness. The grapes are then bunch and berry sorted to ensure that only the healthiest berries are selected. Malo-lactic fermentation takes place in 40 % new French oak barrels after alcoholic fermentation. The wine is then aged for 15 months before blending and bottling.
Wine analysis:	
Alcohol	14,32%
Residual sugar	3,6g/l
pH	3,65
Total acid	5,4g/l
Maturation	Drink now but this wine is made to age for 5 to 10 years.
Region	Constantia, Western Cape