

DELAIRE
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DELAIRE GRAFF BOTMASKOP 2021

VINTAGE CHARACTERISTICS

Severe weather fluctuations during bud break and flowering, followed by cool, windy conditions, contributed to fewer uneven bunches and smaller, more concentrated berries. The previous year's post-harvest period was characterised by exceptionally hot and dry conditions, which led to early leaf fall, especially in early ripening cultivars.

The namesake of this wine is the historic mountain peak upon which Delaire Graff Estate is situated. Originally named Bootmanskop, meaning 'Boat Man's Peak', the picturesque Botmaskop mountain, with its expansive views over the Cape Peninsula and the Atlantic Ocean, served as the lookout point for the Huguenots who had settled in nearby Franschhoek. From this vantage point, sailing ships entering Table Bay harbour 50 kilometres to the west were easily seen.

VINEYARDS & HARVEST

Each grape was handpicked in the cool early hours of the South African morning from four premium wine-growing regions across the Western Cape: Darling, Durbanville, Elgin and Stellenbosch.

GRAPE VARIETALS

54% Cabernet Sauvignon, 27% Cabernet Franc, 11% Petit Verdot, 8% Merlot



WINE OF ORIGIN

Western Cape, South Africa

VINIFICATION

Grapes were handpicked in the cool early hours of the South African morning from premium vineyards in Stellenbosch.

TASTING NOTES

Rich aromas of cassis and spice with intense liquorice and blackberry flavours on the palate and fine, lingering tannins.

AGEING POTENTIAL

The Delaire Graff Botmaskop 2021 has a recommended ageing potential of between 10 and 15 years. Over time, the wine develops in character, with beautiful tannins and rich aromas of autumn leaves and cedarwood.

WINE ANALYSIS

Residual Sugar: 1.3 g/l | Total Acidity: 6.1 g/l | pH: 3.45 | Alcohol: 14.9%

