

## LADY J SYRAH 2020

### Premium Range

Ouma Johanna, affectionately known as Lady J, was the beloved mother of Dana and Etienne Buys. A pillar of love and guidance in their lives, she embodied both warmth and steadfast structure. The Lady J Syrah is a tribute to her remarkable spirit, artfully capturing her essence.



### In the vineyard & cellar

Nestled in the heart of the Simonsberg Paarl region, the vineyards at Vrede en Lust are celebrated for producing exceptional Syrah. The estate benefits from a unique microclimate and rolling terrain, that nurtures grapes to develop rich, bold flavours and a perfect balance of acidity and spice. After harvest, the grapes were gently crushed to retain the integrity of the skins, essential for colour and tannin extraction. Fermentation is initiated with selected yeast strains in stainless steel tanks to add complexity. The temperature is closely regulated, to ensure a slow and controlled fermentation. Malolactic fermentation commenced in French oak barrels, softening the acidity and adding a creamy texture. It was then aged for 16 months in a combination of new second-fill and older French oak barrels.

Alc  
14.5%



RS  
3g/l



TA  
5.6g/l

### In the bottle

This wine is a harmonious balance of elegance and strength, much like Lady J herself. With its refined structure, delicate hints of spice and a smooth, approachable character, it is the perfect all-rounder, offering both depth and grace.

Intense aromas of ripe blackberries, dark plums, black cherries, black pepper, cloves, and dark chocolate. Rich and full-bodied with complex layers.

### Technical Notes

Cultivar: Shiraz (100%)

Ageing: Enjoy now or within 10 years from vintage

Wine of origin: Simonsberg-Paarl

Winemaker: Karlin Nel

