

LEOPARD FROG vineyards

Couture Cape Wines from Stellenbosch, South Africa



TRIBE

Proprietor's Limited Release 2005

Tribe is the only wine in the world to reunite two sophisticaated and inspiring Old World parents with their bold and aspiring New World progeny. A couture Cape blend of Pinotage, Pinot Noir and Cinsaut hand-harvested, hand-selected and handcrafted into a complex yet well integrated family affair, Tribe delivers a truly unique and unusual lifestyle experience suitable for every generation and every occasion.

Winemaker's Notes

Vintage 2005

Varietals Pinotage (50%) Pinot Noir (38%) Cinsaut (12%)

Wine of Origin Stellenbosch
Winemaker David John Bate

Production 8 Barrels Bottle Size 750 ml Yield 4 t/ha °Balling/Harvest 23 û Alcohol 14 %/vol Residual Sugar $3.5 \, g/l$ TΑ 5.9 g/l VA $0.69 \, a/l$ FSO₂ 26 mg/l 3 42 рΗ

Oak 18 months French (Nevers and Alliers) and American oak

French (new wood) of medium plus toast

American (second fill) of medium toast with toasted heads

Maturation Barrel matured with MLF (la malo) in barrels
UPC 6009812400071 (individual bottles)
SCC 06009812400088 (cases of 6 bottles)

Tasting Notes

Appearance

Deep opaque ruby core with mahogany flecks pushing a lighter rim with watery saffron edge. Clear, brilliant lustre and luminosity with long legs and notable colour extraction that foreshadow a complex and full bodied wine.

Nose

Layers of elegant yet exuberant aromas conjure orchard-ripened Moreno cherries, huckleberry compote and wild brambleberries. Top notes of black olive tapénade and wet espresso grinds with a hint of eucalyptus. Whispers of beach wood and long leaf Brazilian Maduro tobacco affirm substantial oak pedigree.

Taste

A palate-coating mouth feel with chiselled tannins and a crisp, fresh acidity that yield to powerful, succulent flavours of sweet black cherry skins, baked blueberries, Brazilian cocoa and Italian espresso. Mid-palate nuances of aromatic spices such as cloves, black peppercorns and cinnamon sticks. Lingering, sultry farewell reminiscent of a seared Tuscan steak with dried rosemary and porcini leave you wanting more.