

Graft Syrah 2021

Technical information

100% Syrah W.O Polkadraai hills Soil: Granite rich soils Alcohol Vol: 13.5%

pH: 3.67

Total acidity: 5.3g/l

In the vineyards

The Syrah vineyard is planted on a southern slope with highly granitic soils on the Karibib farm in the Polkadraai hills.

In the cellar

The fruit was 100% whole bunch naturally fermented with one punch down performed daily. After pressing, the wine was transferred to barrels where it

underwent malolactic fermentation. The barrels were blended after 10 months and bottled right after. No enzymes or commercial yeasts were used in making the wines.

Label story

The name has several meanings to me. It is not only a reminder of some sage advice from my grandfather who always told me that if you want to make a success of something you need to put in the hard yards and graft (depicted by the man working in the top left hand corner). The word also refers to how two individual parts can be grafted together to form a stronger and more meaningful whole as shown by the vines being grafted in the image. The honeybee and finch are both very hardworking and despite not always knowing if what they are doing will work, still graft and get it done. The stamp is a reference to our South African heritage.

