



Handcrafted wines from the heart of the Swartland

## 2014 Mullineux SCHIST Syrah “Roundstone”

**Varietals:** 100% Syrah  
**Bottling Date:** 24<sup>th</sup> January 2016  
**Production:** 2 724 bottles / 227 cases & 150 Magnums  
**Wine of Origin:** Swartland

### Technical Details at Bottling:

Alcohol 13.5% - RS 1.9 g/l - TA 5.0 g/l - pH 3.7

### Vineyard Details:

Grapes for our 2014 Schist Syrah were from a single parcel of sustainably farmed 18 years old vines planted in the stony Shale and Schist soils of our farm on the Kasteelberg. This parcel of Syrah gives the best expression of the Kasteelberg’s terroir – density and structure.

### Harvest Details:

Grapes were harvested between the 8<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February 2014 with a yield of 6 tons/ha (33HL/ha).

### Winemaking:

Grapes were first chilled in our cold room then the whole bunches were put into open-top 500L French oak barrels and foot stomped to release some juice. Minimal SO<sub>2</sub> was added and, as with all our wines, no further additions were made. After about 4 days, fermentation began with indigenous yeasts and lasted about 10 days. A further four weeks of skin contact was given after which the wine was drained and pressed to barrel for malolactic fermentation and maturation. We pigeaged once a day before, during and after fermentation. In Spring the wine was racked and after a total of 23 months in barrel was bottled unfiltered and unfined. 10 months of aging in bottle was then given before release.

### Maturation:

12 months, French oak 500L barrels, 25% new followed by 12 months in 2<sup>nd</sup> fill foudre.

### Tasting Note:

This is the most structured Syrah in our Single Terroir range. On the nose there are notes of black pepper, black fruit and spices. The palate is full-bodied with a meaty, savoury character, silky tannins giving structure and a balancing natural acidity. The finish is fresh, long and supple. Aging potential 10 – 15 years. Decanting recommended.



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