

BLAKE'S

FAMILY WINES



Amethyst 2015

The name derives from the gemstone, Amethyst. Amethyst is a finely crafted Cape Blend of the noble cultivars, Shiraz, Pinotage and Cabernet Sauvignon .

The grapes used for the Amethyst derives from dryland bush vines in the Swartland. Andries Blake is a seasoned Swartland winemaker. His love for the terroir dates back to his first vintage in 1996. His knowledge and experience of the Swartland terroir enabled him to select the best vineyards for the Amethyst. This wine is a true reflection of the Swartland terroir. The Swartland is pre-dominantly a dry land bush vine area with low yields and high concentration of fruit flavours.

After malolactic fermentation these cultivars were all individually barrel matured for 16 months in new 225 litre French oak

Intense dark red with a rubyred rim. The dark colour and concentration is typical of the Swartland area. Initial abundance of black fruit which leads to a juicy middle with soft tannins and ends in a lingering after taste.

This well-structured wine will be the perfect match with red meat, game, stew or lamb shank.

Technical Analysis:

Varietals: Shiraz (40%), Pinotage (40%), Cabernet Sauvignon (20%)

Alcohol: 15.56%

pH: 3.66

TA: 5.57

RS: 3.35

VA: 0.58

Appellation: Swartland

