



## High Hopes, Syrah blend 2022

### Technical information:

88% Syrah

9% Grenache noir

3% Cinsaut

W.O Swartland

Soil: Schist, iron rich granite

Alcohol Vol%: 13,5%

pH: 3.77

Total acidity: 5,1g/l

### In the vineyards:

The Syrah is planted on schist soils and the vineyard carried 2,5 tons/Ha, which resulted in a wine that is deeply concentrated. The Grenache and Cinsaut is planted on iron rich soils which give the final blend great perfume and elegance.

### In the cellar:

The Syrah was 30% whole bunch fermented and was aged in big 500litre barrels. The grenache and cinsaut were both destemmed and aged in small barrique. The different components were blended after 11 months in oak. Due to the low yields on all 3 vineyards, we didn't have to do much extraction with only one pump performed daily.

### Label story:

The air balloon symbolizes a new journey, reaching new heights and going to places never been before. In the background is Lukas's face with a map of the Swartland in it indicating the origin of the wine. The three leaves on the right showcase the number of cultivars in the blend. The fisherman symbolizes how we always have high hopes when we try something new or when we go out to achieve something great. We've also added a wheat stalk to give tribute to the Swartland where a lot of wheat is the main crop for most farmers. In the summer, when the wheat harvest has been removed from the fields, the dormant fields give the countryside it's "black" look and that's where the term Swartland hails from.

