

## **De Meye Trutina 2011**

De Meye is a privately owned, boutique winery situated in Stellenbosch sub-region known as Greater Simonsberg, one of South Africa's most prestigious wine regions, with neighbors such as Warwick, Kanonkop, and Laibach.

The farm and winery is named after the De Meye river in Holland, where the first Myburgh, who came to South

Africa in 1665, used to live. Philip Myburgh is the sixth generation to farm De Meye which is 100ha total with half planted to vineyard. All our wines are produced from grapes grown on our farm. Approximately 220 tons are utilized

for De Meye. The rest is sold off to various co-operatives and neighboring farms. The total production of bottled stock at De Meye is less than 14 000 cases, of which 80% is red and 20% is white and rosé.

Grape Variety: 55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot, 15% Shiraz

**Appellation:** Stellenbosch

**Aroma:** Medley of black and red berries, crushed peppercorns and violets, polished by a hint of

dark chocolate

**Palate:** Mouth filling savory notes with ripe black plums, Christmas pudding and cloves rounded off with a vanilla toastiness.

## **Chemical Analysis:**

Alcohol - 14.29% pH - 3.69 Acidity - 5.5g/l Res. sugar - 1.5 g/l

Winemaker: Marcus Milner Winegrower: Philip Myburgh

Climate: Mediterranean-rainfall  $\pm$  650mm per annum. Vineyards are situated on De Meye in the western part of the Muldersvlei region, north of Stellenbosch. The vineyard faces south-east and a cool westerly wind during the ripening period months ensures healthy balanced grapes.

**Soil:** Rich fertile soil, create ideal conditions for healthy, ripe grapes.

**Vinification/Maturation:** Grapes were hand picked from vines with a yield of 6 tons/ hectare at a sugar level of 24°B. Whole-bunch pressed. Matured in 25% new and 75% 2 & 3 yr old oak barriques for 12 months.

**John Platter rating:** 4-1/2 ★★★☆ certified sustainable; "Rich & robust 10 from cab with shiraz, merlot, cab franc. Slightly gamey, savoury, a little rustic. Oak evident, but integrated. Harmonious, restrained but less plush than 09."

