



Blackwater

2021

'LAZY LUCY'

Rosé | Swartland - South Africa



NATURAL



VEGAN

Stats

Grapes: 100% Grenache

Vineyard: A single site in Riebeeck Kasteel

Vine Age: 14-years-old

Soil Type: Sandstone over shale

Viticulture: Sustainable – dry-farmed

Fermentation: Native – 3 hours of whole-cluster skin-contact then whole-bunch pressed to concrete

Skin Contact: 3 hours

Aging: 4 months in concrete tanks

Alcohol: 12.2%

pH: 3.09

Total Acidity: 6.6 g/L

Total SO2: 89 ppm

Total Production: 400 cases

UPC: 6009879826265

About

2021 represents a new chapter for this wine being a single-site Grenache from a dry-farmed vineyard in Riebeeck. The wine continues to be named after Francois' English Bulldog who views getting up to muck around as serious work. There might be a paleness in color though there is noticeable high-viz intensity of flavor. This is a truly magnificent bottling and the finest rosé Francois has made to this day.

The grapes were hand-harvested into small picking bins and brought back to the winery, a light hand squeezing was done for a portion of the ferment to break up the berries a bit and after 3 hours the bunches were pressed to small concrete tanks. Fermentation occurred naturally and malolactic fermentation was not carried out. After four months aging on lees the wine was clean racked with a very coarse filtration to tank to settle for one week. The wine was then bottled without fining and with a small addition of sulfur.

Tasting Note

The final product is divine and hardly 'Lazy'. Intoxicating aromas of fresh strawberries, rhubarb and raspberries leap from the glass. Dig a little deeper and discover a more serious 'Lucy' who exhibits crisp minerality and unique notes reminiscent of an ocean breeze. The palate is juicy and fresh with very pronounced acidity. This is the most sophisticated release yet of this wine and really represents uncanny value.