

THE FOUNDRY ROUSSANNE 2020



WINEMAKER VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

“We finally moved into our own cellar on James Reid’s farm in the Voor Paardeberg. It was quite a rush to get everything finished and cleaned ready for the 2020 grapes. There were some teething problems as we had to totally replace the cooling system, but once that was in things proceeded very well. I have vinified quite a few experimental batches this year, using different varieties, fermentation techniques, oak types and clay vessels. 2020 was, I felt, much more promising than 2019 – the drought was truly broken and the vines looked much better this year. The fruit was cleaner, more evenly ripe and with more delineated, pronounced flavours and bright acidity. Of course the big story of 2020 has been Covid 19 and the subsequent lockdown. I managed to get all my wines off skins and into barrels and amphora in the nick of time by the Thursday before lockdown. The wines are now finishing ferment or proceeding with malo lactic fermentation as we speak and when we reopen the cellar after Easter its going to be exciting to see what emerges.” - Chris Williams

WINEMAKING NOTE

Hand harvested, chilled overnight and whole bunch pressed to avoid phenolics typical of this variety. Juice with a high solids content fermented in seasoned 300 liter Allier hogsheads with partial malo-lactic fermentation. Maturation and batonnage sur-lie for several months before bottling.

APPEARANCE, AROMA AND TASTING NOTE

Distinctive and intense aromas of wild flowers, oatmeal and lemon-cream. The palate is lively and intense with quince and yellow apple flavours, hints of spice and linear acidity.

WINE INFORMATION

Country:	South Africa
Region:	Stellenbosch
Wine Type:	White
Producer:	The Foundry
Wine Name:	Roussanne
Vintage:	2020
Principle Grape (%):	Roussanne (100)
Closure:	Cork
Winemaker Name:	Chris Williams
ABV (%):	13.50%
Bottle Size:	75cl
Case/Pack Size:	6x75cl