

Winery of Goodhope, Mountainside

# Syrah

<b>Vitner</b>	Winery of Goodhope
<b>Vineyard</b>	Mountainside
<b>Origin</b>	Stellenbosch, South Africa
<b>Vintage</b>	2020
<b>Variety</b>	Syrah
<b>Wine Type</b>	Red
<b>Wine Maker</b>	Jacques de Klerk

## Vineyard Notes

Two mature, trellised, mountainside vineyards, planted with a variety of clones produce this Syrah. Overlooking False Bay, the vines enjoy the cooling influence of the famous Cape Doctor (the prevailing South Easterly wind during summertime). The rocky, gravelly nature of the soil promotes the production of balanced, finely textured wines which show restrained fruit and interesting spice and fynbos notes. Over the winter, rainfall figures came close to the long-term average for Stellenbosch, which came as a relief to many. The cool daytime conditions (and especially nights!) of December and January meant that our earlier varieties ripened with lovely acidity and great freshness, all at lower alcohol levels.

## About the Wine Maker

Alex Dale founded the Winery of Good Hope in 1998 with the goal of reflecting the optimism and hope of the region and producing top-rate, quality-driven wines for everyday drinking. Good Hope is more than just the name of a location at the bottom of Africa. It's a spirit of optimism. A "can-do" attitude. A positive intention that leads to positive action. The fact that the pioneering settlers of 1652 named their new land The Cape of Good Hope is proof of their faith in the area's potential. Wine grapes were among the first crops to be grown there, starting in 1655. The Winery of Good Hope respects the long tradition of viticulture in the Cape, by producing wines with focused attention and appreciation for the qualities that make each region unique. This is the same approach they employ with their premium label, Radford Dale. In fact, The Winery of Good Hope parcels are often directly next to the Radford Dales parcels. With countless so-called entry-level wines, the fruit (or often bulk wine) is sourced from cheaper, mass-production areas, then sold as commodity wine. But The Winery of Good Hope sees this differently – their entry-level wines are their calling cards. They view this range as part and parcel of their top-tier range, so there is no cutting corners. As they see it, "if our entry-level wines are anything short of excellent, then we consider ourselves nothing short of incompetent." These ARE premium wines – premium wines made for everyday drinking, for people who enjoy and expect quality, every day.

## Tasting Notes

refreshing Syrah from the Cape which shows elegant spice and fynbos aromas and a delightful combination of ripe red fruits and peppery spice flavors, as well as complex structure. In an age where Syrah is known for making big, polished and powerful, often sweet-fruited wines, we have chosen the path less traveled by showing a restrained and subtle expression of one of the Cape's most exciting varieties.



## Wine Details

Residual Sugar	2.2 g/L
PH	3.3
Alcohol	12%
Total Acid	6.5 g/L
Bottle Size	750mL
Bottles Per Case	12

