



2015 Syrah



The rich tapestries of passionate people interwoven with insightful custodians have shaped and continue to develop Glen Carlou Vineyards. A splendid storyline supports our desirable reputation of being a trusted, highly awarded and respected wine brand.

Our farm is situated in the Simonsberg Mountain foothills in the Paarl region of the Western Cape and encompasses a variety of slopes and aspects. Of the current 31 blocks planted, each is nurtured according to its own unique potential, respecting the natural cycles of the vines. A vineyard replanting programme is currently underway so as to be adding five hectares per year. Hardier, tougher drought resistant rootstocks and new varietal clonal selections are being planted.

Our 145 hectare property transferred back to local ownership when in 2016 Glen Carlou was purchased by a South African family consortium. Whilst the management team has remained largely unchanged, the excitement for the years ahead is driven by our new winemaker Johnnie Calitz.

Wine of Origin	Paarl
Wine Analysis	Alc. 14.5% R.S. 2.3g/l T.A. 6.2g/l pH 3.56
Vinification	Fermented in open and closed top stainless steel tanks with pump overs of up to 4 times a day with two weeks of skin maceration for colour and tannin extraction. The wine was then aged for 16 months in 225l French oak, 30% new, 40% 2nd and 30% 3rd fill.
Optimum Drinkability	Drink now; suitable for ageing for up to six years from vintage.
Winemaker's Tasting Note	"Upfront blackberry fruits with hints of white pepper, cloves and soft spices on the nose. The tannin structure and character of this wine have an unmistakable Rhone reference. This Syrah reflects everything of the best from the great 2015 vintage." Johnnie Calitz