Sadie Family

Sadie Family Kokerboom is a remarkable Semillon blend, offering extraordinary texture and richness, crafted from ancient vines in the rugged Citrusdal Mountains.





Alcohol :12,80 % Composition: 100% Sémillon

Old Vine Series Kokerboom 2022

Swartland, South Africa

Region and Vineyards

Kokerboom is sourced from the **Citrusdal Mountain region**, a dramatic landscape with **decomposed Table Mountain sandstone soils** rich in iron content. The vineyard consists of approximately **80% white Groendruif (Semillon Blanc)** and **20% red Groendruif (Semillon Gris)**, with the grapes picked and pressed together.

This vineyard is extremely dry-farmed, receiving only **180 mm of rainfall in 2022**, which imposed significant hydric stress. Despite these conditions, the vines produced grapes of exceptional concentration, with a **low yield of 16 hectoliters per hectare**, emphasizing the depth and intensity of the wine.

Winemaking

The grapes are hand-picked and undergo an arduous **4.5-hour journey** from the vineyard to the winery. After being cooled overnight to 4°C, the grapes are sorted and gently pressed as whole bunches over a **3-hour process**, allowing natural settling of the juice.

The turbid juice is then fermented in **old foudres**, a process that takes **6 to 8 months** due to the low nitrogen and yeast nutrient content of the grapes. By the following spring, malolactic fermentation is typically completed. The wine is aged on its **fermentation lees for 12 months** before bottling, with no racking or filtration, preserving its full natural character.

Tasting Notes

- **Color**: Light gold with a luminous sheen.
- **Aroma**: Waxy lanolin, wet wool, and subtle citrus zest, intertwined with granadilla (passionfruit) and delicate mineral undertones.
- **Palate**: Rich and voluminous, with compact tannins and a vibrant acidity that balance the wine's creamy texture. The finish is long, layered, and reveals a profound sense of place.





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Did you know?

The name **Kokerboom**, Afrikaans for "Quiver Tree," is inspired by the rugged resilience of the Citrusdal Mountain terrain. This Semillon vineyard is a living testament to the power of old vines, thriving in one of South Africa's most challenging and arid climates.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Grilled sea bass with citrus beurre blanc**: The wine's acidity and waxy texture complement the buttery sauce and delicate fish.
- **Roast chicken with thyme and garlic**: Its richness and vibrant freshness elevate the savory and herbal flavors.
- Vegetable gratin with cream and nutmeg: The wine's depth and nuanced profile match the creamy and earthy dish.
- **Aged Gouda**: The nutty, savory character of the cheese pairs beautifully with the wine's lanolin and citrus notes.

Robert Parker (RP): 95 Points (2022)

Starting with a delightful mineral-laced nose, the 2022 Old Vine Series Kokerboom offers complex aromas of roasted almonds, underripe peach and wax melon with delightful citrus blossom. Light to mediumbodied and with 12.8% alcohol, the palate is complex, offering a beautiful weight with a waxy and phenolic mouthfeel before showcasing incredible mineral tension with energetic acidity. This beauty will remain food friendly for years and will benefit from another year in the bottle. Only 2,300 bottles were produced of this devastatingly gorgeous wine.





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