

# Momento

## Momento Tinta Barocca 2015

From my early years as winemaker in Bot River, South Africa, I have had an obsession with an old Tinta Barocca vineyard. For many years this vineyard was used as a blending component in a red table wine, but to me this vineyard deserved much more. I thought that it needed to be shown on its own. So I started experimenting with this characterful, charming and untamed vineyard by making small batches of single varietal Tinta Barocca, and finally, after gaining some experience and confidence while working in Douro, Momento Tinta Barocca was born - a wine that reflects the spirit of the vine.

### **Vineyard:**

42-year- old Tinta Barocca, south-facing, origin Bot River.

Soil: Bokkeveld shale

### **Wine making:**

This vineyard was hand-picked and hand-sorted, starting in the early hours of the morning. As a result of vineyard age and little rainfall in 2015, the vineyard production was reduced to a tiny 2 tons. Natural and gentle winemaking procedures were followed in the cellar, allowing the vineyard to speak and express itself in the wine.

1/3 whole bunches and gentle punch downs by hand done twice daily.

After 5 weeks of maceration on skins, grapes were basket-pressed to barrel.

15 months of oak maturation in old, 225 litre French oak barrels.

### **Tasting notes:**

Fresh red cherries, purple plums and spicy tea leaves. Vibrant and perfumed palate, with a youthful and well integrated tannin texture.

### **Production:**

1470 x 750ml

### **Analysis:**

**Residual sugar - 2.0 g/L**

**Total acid – 5.2 g/L**

**pH – 3.52**

**Alcohol – 13.65 vol**

**Free So2 – 29**

**Total So2 - 97**