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CAMISSA 2010

MAKING WINE FROM SWEET WATERS - Camissa is the Khoi San name for Table Mountain, meaning “place of sweet water”. We have called our gorgeous, fresh Rosè wine Camissa as a reflection of Avondale’s gratitude for the blessing of having pure spring waters flowing to our vines.

CAMISSA’S EMBLEM - The image associated with Camissa is a rendition of the fountain sculpture in the middle of the Dolphin Pool at the Castle of Good Hope. In the late 1790’s, Lady Anne Barnard made sketches and descriptions of the original Dolphin Pool. These were used in 1982 to reconstruct the beautiful fountain that once flowed with the sweet waters of Table Mountain.

GRAPE VARIETIES - Camissa is made from 84% Muscat de Frontignan and 16% Mourvedre grapes. The vines are 21 years old, naturally cultivated and certified organic. They have a low yield of 4 tons per hectare of high quality fruit with intense flavours.

THE MAKING OF CAMISSA - The grapes were picked at between 22 and 23° Balling. The Muscat grapes were destemmed and left on the skins in the stainless tank for 3 or 4 days, with a stirring once or twice a day until natural fermentation started. The Mourvedre grapes were pressed as whole bunches, settled and fermented in the stainless steel tank at 18° to 20° Celsius. The varietals were then co-fermented and kept on the lees for 9 months.

CAMISSA’S CHARACTER - A blend of two flavourful varieties, Camissa arrests the nose with rose petals, scented pelargonium and fresh red fruits of the earth. Hints of Turkish Delight and lemon zest attest to the perfect acidity of this wine; for Camissa may appear sweet but it finishes completely dry.

WINEMAKER - Corné Marais

VITICULTURIST - Johnathan Grieve

ORIGIN - Paarl, South Africa

ALCOHOL - 13% **PH** - 3.47 **TA** - 5.7g/l **AGEING** - 2015



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