# SUTHERLAND

VINEYARDS

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# Sutherland Petit Verdot Reserve 2017

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## **MATURATION**

Potential to develop beautifully over the next ten years.

#### **FOOD PAIRING**

A perfect partner to your herb crusted lamb kebab.

#### WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

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#### VITICULTURAL PRACTICES

Varietal	Petit Verdot 100%
Root stock	Mgt 101-14
Soil type	Tukulu
Age of vines	Planted 2005
Plant density	2353 vines per ha
Trellising	7 wire Perold system, with movable foliage wires.
Yield	15 t/ha
Irrigation	Supplementary drip
Vintage	Cool summer days with very little rain, resulting in ideal growing conditions for grapes.
Picking date	15 March 2017
Grape sugar	24.3 °B
Acidity	6.48 g/l
pH at harvest	3.39

#### WINEMAKING PRACTICES

Yeasts	Natural occurring yeast
Fermentation temp	28 ℃
Method	De-stalked, hand sorting of berries, crushed and pumped into stainless steel tanks, pumped over for 5 days once per day, left for 2 days before pressing. Racked to barrel for malolactic fermentation. Wine spends 18 months in 225l new French oak barrels.

## WINE DETAILS

Residual sugar	1.8 g/l
рН	3.63
Total acidity	5.5 g/l
Alcohol	14.%
Maturation	Enjoy now through to 2030