

SADIE FAMILY WINES SOLDAAT



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From Sadie's Old Vine Series: 8 old-vine parcels that are bottled individually from some of the oldest and most historic vineyards in South Africa. Citrusdal Mountain – Piekenierskloof, Swartland, South Africa. The soil in the vineyard is decomposed Table Mountain sandstone formations. After harvest, they fill the concrete tanks whole cluster to about 60% and then de-stem 40% to get some juice in the tank to have the initiation of fermentation. The fermentation is for about 30 days on the skins and then they press the grapes in an old basket press. Fermentation on the skins in concrete tanks. The wine is left for 8 months on the lees and then racked to another concrete tank for an additional 4 months to settle clean.

Sadie Family Wines was founded by Eben Sadie in 1999, with the initial vintage release in 2000.

Following a period as a surfer, in his youth Eben travelled and worked the world's wine regions (including Germany, Austria, Oregon, California, France & Spain). Today Eben is considered one of the great preservationists and visionaries in the new generation of South African winemakers. He takes incredible care in the vineyards and everything is done by gravity and hand. Concrete and wooden open fermenters are used. The wines are matured in large, old foudres and or concrete casks with minimal intervention. The goal is to allow the wines show their truest character and sense of place. As Eben says 'It's a very pure way of producing the wine'.

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Tasting Note:

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