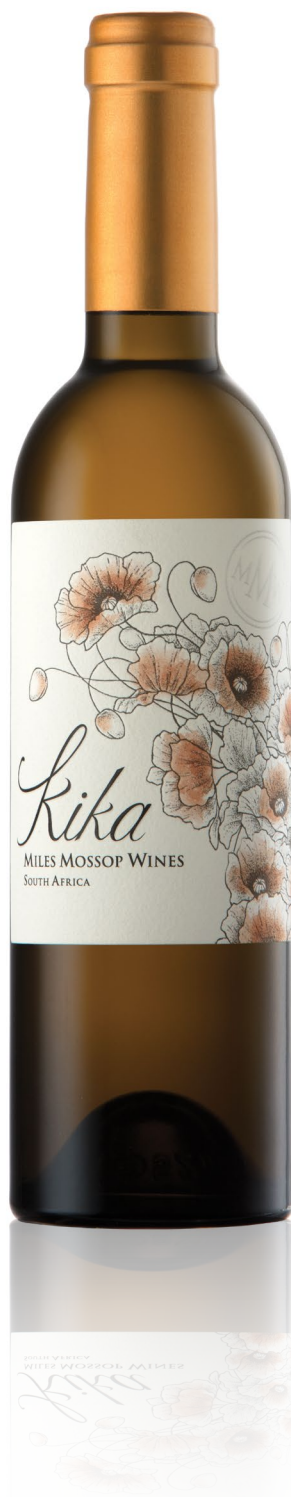


KIKA 2015 STELLENBOSCH NOBLE LATE HARVEST



WINEMAKING NOTE: This is a Noble Late Harvest made from 100% Chenin blanc.

We do up to three pickings. Picking only bunches which are perfectly infected with Noble Rot. The grapes were picked at a sugar of around 42 degrees brix and an acidity of 11.0 g/l.

The grapes were delivered to the winery and put directly into cold storage overnight to drop the temperature of the grapes down to around 4 degrees Celsius. The grapes were crushed whole bunch into bins for a cold soak for 24 hours after which fermentation was initiated. Fermentation on the skins took place for 4 days before the grapes were pressed and the fermenting must taken to 400L old French oak barrels for fermentation to complete, which took 3 months. The fermentation stopped naturally at a perfect balance of sweetness, acidity and alcohol.

The wine was bottled in August 2015.

TASTING NOTES:

COLOUR: The wine has a crisp deep golden hue.

NOSE: The nose is packed with intense aromas of apricots, quince, grilled pineapple and ginger spice.

PALATE: The wine enters on the palate full and rich with intense flavours of poached pears and quince, honey glazed almonds and ginger bread. There is a tannic grip to the mid-palate leading clean crisp finish. The wine has a perfect balance between acidity and sweetness.

FOOD PAIRING: Fresh pan seared Foie Gras or Foie gras pate served on Crostini and herb salad; Or served with a dessert of crepes and a citrus syrup; Or ripe hard cheese and nuts.

MATURATION: To be enjoyed immediately after release but will benefit with cellaring for up to 5 years from harvest.

PRODUCTION: 1500 ½ bottles

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS:

- PH: 3.82
- TA: 7.7 g/l
- RS: 189.2 g/l
- Alc: 12.0% by vol.

AWARDS

- 93 points by Vinous – Stephen Tanzer – 2017
- 95 Points Tim Atkin's South Africa Special Report 2016
- Awarded 4½ stars by Platter's Guide 2017

VITICULTURE | AREA: STELLENBOSCH, ON THE BOTTOM SLOPES OF THE SIMONSBURG

Altitude:	Aspect:	Row direction:	Planted in:	Soil Type:	Training:	Pruning:	Irrigation:	Plant Density:	Cropping:
200m	Northwest	NA	1978	Decomposed shale	Bush Vine	Spur pruned	Supplemental	4000 vines per hectare (1m x 2.5m spacing)	1.5 tons/ha or 6 hl/ha