

Sadie Family Pofadder

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: South Africa

REGION: Western Cape

APPELLATION: Western Cape

CEPAGE: 100% Cinsault

WINEMAKING: Concrete ferment, 50% whole cluster, aged in neutral wood

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 13.0%

AGING: 11 months in 28-year-old casks, 1 month in concrete tank

THE STORY

Eben Sadie is a visionary force in South African wine, known for elevating the Swartland region through his uncompromising focus on site-specific, old-vine expressions. He's led a movement away from regional blending toward vineyard-driven authenticity. His Signature Series—Columella and Palladius—are celebrated blends sourced from meticulously farmed, low-intervention sites. These wines should not only be thought of as top South African bottlings, but some of the great wines of the world.

PHILOSOPHY: We now farm 51 hectares, of which 24 hectares are in production from our own vineyards, and an additional 27 hectares are being rented but worked by our team. Soil health, low intervention farming, and preserving South Africa's viticultural heritage are paramount.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Bright, textured, and serious Cinsaut with lifted aromatics

AROMAS / FLAVORS: Cranberry, dried herbs, earthy spice, red currant, sandalwood

MOUTHFEEL: Light-bodied, smooth tannins, soft acid, earthy, structured

THE SELLING POINTS

Heritage bush vine Cinsaut with polish and Swartland soul

PAIRINGS: Great with lamb skewers, lentils, tagines, mushroom pasta, char

