



## Oude Wijnberg Wine

This wine is very special in that it has been made by Wynberg Old Boys from grapes which have been grown in Wynberg's own private vineyard, *Oude Wijnberg*. The vineyard was established in 2010 in the area known as 'The Cabbage Patch,' with the entire process from clearing the land to planting and then harvesting the grapes being undertaken by schoolboys alongside professional workers from neighbouring farms. Expert advice and supervision was provided by Wynberg father and winemaker, Andre Rousseau who then joined forces with two other respected wine makers from the Constantia Valley, Old Boys Stuart Botha and Brad Paton, to make the wine.

The maiden vintage was bottled at Eagle's Nest Estate in January 2015 and will be available from mid-2015. Advance orders may be placed with 175 Co-Ordinator, Ann Colt: [175@wbhs.org.za](mailto:175@wbhs.org.za)

According to wine promoter Kathy Cassells, this Shiraz will improve with age, and will be at its peak in 5-6 years' time. For this vintage only, the wine will be available in both a three litre presentation bottle and a standard 750ml bottle.

### **Brief Description of the Vinification of the Oude Wijnberg Shiraz**

*"All grapes were hand-picked by the school boys, de-stalked and crushed into a small size open top fermenter. Punch-downs or pump-overs were performed three to four times per day. Regular tasting by the winemaker ensured that at all times the fermenting must evolved to embody the desired style. Fermentation took 9 days to complete, after which the free run wine was drawn off and the skins were pressed. The wine was then moved into six French oak barrels where it underwent a secondary malo-lactic fermentation before beginning its maturation. After 18 months in barrel and numerous racking and returns (removing the wine from barrel, off its sediment, cleaning the barrel and returning the wine), the wine will be blended to create a complex and harmonious finished product."*

*Stuart Botha, Wynberg Old Boy  
Winemaker at Eagles' Nest, Constantia  
October 2014"*

There has already been widespread interest in the wine. Thirty Old Boy groups have expressed an interest, as have two Old Boys who are wine makers in the United States. One of them, Jeremy Shapley (1989), has asked for a couple of cases to ensure that the wine is distributed in wine circles across America. We recommend that you place your order early as only 175 double magnums (3 Litre bottles) and 1 000 standard bottles (750ml) are available.