## KEN FORRESTER WINES

(STELLENBOSCH, WESTERN CAPE)

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In 1993 the Forrester family came to the rescue, restoring the 17th century homestead, replanting the vines and developing wines of quality.

In 1994 the first wines were produced under the Ken Forrester label, and soon the award-winning wines were at the forefront of the Chenin Blanc revival. The grapes are sourced from vineyards - some of them more than 30 years old - in the cool Helderberg region of Stellenbosch.

The farming is in the hands of a small highly dedicated team. Ken does all the sales and marketing, travelling around the world promoting South Africa and their great wines, happy to pour any South African wine far from home and carry the flag. It's a tough job, socialising and meeting great people in the relaxed environment of food and wine but someone has to do it!

We practice sustainable, organic viticulture, we make our own compost, we grow winter cover crops between the dormant vines, we use ducks to control snails and insects and we manage yields according to the potential of the soils and the vines, we do not believe that stress is a good practice in the vineyards or in life!

## Renegade 2019

CSPC# 790309 750mlx12 14.5% alc./vol.

Chemical Analysis Acidity: 5.8 g/l pH: 3.46 Residual Sugar: 2.1 g/l

**Grape Variety** 63% Shiraz, 26% Grenache, 11% Mourvedre

Winemaker Ken Forrester

Info The Reserve Range. Here we are solely responsible for the cultivation of the vines and

selection of the fruit, mostly from our family property in Stellenbosch, just 4 miles from

the cool Atlantic and in the sheltered lee of the majestic Helderberg mountain.

Vineyards Region: Western Cape

Soil: Duplex soils, fine sandy loam on a clay base

Trellised vineyard

**Harvest** Hand harvested. Yield: 8 tons per hectare

**Vinification** Fermented in open tanks with gentle extraction by pumping over and then pressed and

racked into second and third fill French oak barrels for 18 months. This adds complexity

and structure to the soft natural tannins.

**Tasting Notes** One of the very first Rhône style blends in South Africa.

This elegant Rhône blend displays Old World Style with New World fruit. Hint of

Grenache's earthy rusticity and Shiraz's noble spice with hints of nutmeg and salty black

olive on the finish. Balanced with soft integrated tannins.

Serve with Serve with roasts, duckling, and full flavoured Mediterranean dishes as well as lamb or

grilled meat and vegetables.

Scores/Awards 88 points - Jessica Vargas, Wine Enthusiast - October 2023

**Reviews** "Notes of licorice and cinnamon perfume the nose. The midpalate shows high acidity and

mild raspberry and strawberry flavors. This medium-bodied Syrah-based blend features

fine tannins and grassy notes in the finish."

- JV, WineEnthusiast.com

