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# Hogan 'Mirror for the Sun' Cabernet Franc 2019

**Wine of Origin: Stellenbosch**

## Technical analysis

pH: 3.49

TA: 5.9 g/l

RS: 1.5 g/l

Alc: 14%

## Vinification and viticultural details

The Cabernet Franc grapes are sourced from 10-year-old, trellised vines from the lower Helderberg on granitic soils. The vineyard is 2km from the coast. The maritime effect is most favourable, especially in the hot February-March months in Stellenbosch. Leaf removal in the bunch zone (during November/December) is an important practice in this vineyard to let enough sun in to prevent vegetal flavours.

The grapes were picked on 5 March 2019. They were sorted and crushed (no whole bunch). Spontaneous fermentation took place in open top fermenters with very soft handling during fermentation, only two punch downs per day. The wine was matured in 225L older French oak barrel, and was only racked once, in June after malolactic fermentation. The wine was sent thorough a rough filter before bottling in January 2019.

## Tasting notes

Pure and refined with notes of red fruit, graphite, tea leaf and fresh herbs.  
Wonderful freshness and verve, spicy intensity and fine tannins.

## Awards/Ratings

Tim Atkin South Africa 2020 Special report: September 2020: 93/100

Platter's Guide 2021: 93 points (4.5 stars)

Winemag.com rating: Christian Eedes, April 2021: 90/100

SA Cabernet Franc Challenge April 2021: Gold