



RICKETY BRIDGE

WINERY

THE BRIDGE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2017

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Full name	The Bridge
Vintage	2017
Varietal	100 % Cabernet Sauvignon
Origin	Franschhoek
Total produced	3,520 bottles

PACKAGING INFORMATION

Bottle barcode	6007738000139
Case barcode	26007738000133
Unit size	750 ml
Bottles per case	6
Pallet information	28 x 6 x 4

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alc.14.23% | RS 3.1 g/l | TA 6.4 g/l | pH 3.41

HARVEST

This wine is made from an exceptional single vineyard situated against the slopes of the Dassenberg Mountain in Franschhoek. Bush vines of Cabernet Sauvignon which are planted in deep decomposed sandstone soil with underlying granite, called Scalie, on a steep (more than 35°) northerly facing slope. Spaced 60 x 80cm, these vines yield no more than 1.5 tonnes/ha. A truly unique and exceptional terroir.

The grapes were harvested by hand during the first week in March 2017 at 24.7° Balling and carefully brought into the cellar crate by crate.

WINEMAKING

After a short cold maceration period, natural fermentation took place in a small open top fermenter at 28°C. During fermentation the grapes were gently punched down, by hand, 6 times a day. After 36 days on the skins the wine was pressed gently. Malolactic fermentation took place in small French oak barrels and further maturation took place in 100% new French oak barrels for a total of 22 months.

WINEMAKER'S NOTE

The nose is dominated by mint, dark cherry, aromatic tobacco and hints of cloves. Cassis & red fruit is supported by the natural acidity giving the wine a linear elegant feel on the palate. Tremendous fullness, massive supple structure which fills the entire mouth, voluptuous velvety tannins that make the tongue feel gracefully coated. Full bodied yet refined. A long and enchanting finish leaves one wanting more.

CELLARING

Peak potential 10 years from vintage

SERVING TEMPERATURE

14°C

FOOD SUGGESTIONS

Rich oxtail casserole, Ribeye steak

PAST ACCOLADES

The Bridge 2016 – 90 Points –
Christian Eedes

The Bridge 2015 – 4½ star rating John
Platter Wine Guide 2019



P.O BOX 455, FRANSCHHOEK, 7690, WESTERN CAPE, SOUTH AFRICA

TEL: +27 21 876 2129 | FAX +27 21 876 3486 | WWW.RICKETYBRIDGE.COM

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK: @RICKETYBRIDGEWINERY | TWITTER/INSTAGRAM: @RICKETYBWINERY

