



CABERNET SAUVIGNON
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There is an old story of a Japanese master artist who spent his entire life trying to paint a perfectly straight line freehand. Every day he tried to better his previous efforts, and over the years grew more accomplished at it. He also grew to greatly enjoy his daily exercise in discipline and the quest for such an elusive goal.

A winemaker only has one chance, once a year to refine and improve what he does, so it can take many years to build a body of knowledge. The VR is the distillation of close to 40 years of all the elements and tradition that make up the PIERRO wines.

The wine comes from the very best old vines in prime areas of the vineyard, is carefully selected from the best barrels and is only released after 5 years in the winery's cellars.

“91% cabernet sauvignon, 6% malbec, 3% petit verdot. 18 months in 100% new French oak; 96 dozen made. It's a vinous example of pure silk. It's the job of the wine writer to taste, spit and repeat but one sip of this and the process quickly became muddled. It's a wine to put other wines in context. It has a freshness and a perfume to its herb notes and a gentleness to its redcurrant and kirsh-like flavours. It glides through the palate like a waft of smoke, the fruit ripe and pure. It's almost pinot-like in its ease, its undergrowth, its succulent power.”

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