

Floriography

THE TERM Floriography, or the “language of flowers,” was coined in the Victorian era and refers to the practice of communicating with others by sending secret messages coded in the arrangement of particular flowers. In this highly chaste and demure era of the western world—a time during which propriety and proper behavior were of the utmost importance—open expressions of ardor, passion and desire were taboo. Using flowers as symbols allowed individuals to express feelings that could not be spoken aloud.

BLOOMING RED 2018

69% Shiraz, 17% Mourvèdre, 14% Grenache,

A fruit driven blend. Expect a wine filled with ripe plums, raspberry and hints of dark chocolate with smoky nuances leaving a sweet creamy texture. The juicy tannins make this wine approachable and ready to drink but will improve over the next 4 years. The perfect wine for any occasion.

----- VINEYARDS & VINIFICATION -----

Facing:	South
Soil types:	Glenrosa / Slate / Hutton
Age & origin of vines:	6 – 35 years
Yield per Ha:	6 – 8 t/Ha
Harvest date:	20 March– 14 April 2017
Degree Balling at harvest:	25 – 26°B
Fermentation days:	9
Barrel aging:	60% 3rd fill / 40% 4th fill barrels
Period in wood:	French 14 months
Wood:	Medium toasted–Never & Allier
Maturation potential:	Drink now or keep up to 4 years

----- ANALYSIS -----

Alcohol 13.98%	TA 5.2g/ℓ
pH 3.5	

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THE FLOWERS Protea Cynaroides, or king protea, the flower that adorns our Blooming Red selection, is among the oldest families of flowers on earth, dating back 300 million years. The king protea is named after Proteus, the son of Poseidon, who had the power to know all things past, present and future. Proteus would change shape, transforming to hide from people seeking his insights. It has been said that the protea flower was named after Proteus because it, too, presents itself in an astounding variety of shapes, sizes, hues and textures to make up more than 1,400 varieties. With its mythological associations to change and transformation, it's not surprising that in “the language of flowers,” the protea symbolizes strength, diversity, resourcefulness, and daring courage

