



# Aaldering

VINEYARDS & WINES

## FLORENCE BY AALDERING BARREL SELECTION



**Estate:** Aaldering Vineyards & Wines  
**Origin:** South Africa  
**Region:** Stellenbosch  
**Variety:** Shiraz (53%) - Cabernet Sauvignon (32%)  
Merlot (8%) - Pinotage (7%)  
**Website:** [www.aaldering.co.za](http://www.aaldering.co.za)

### Background

What do you get when you blend four noble varieties?

This limited edition of the *Estate* Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, and Pinotage is a perfect match that reflects the terroir of Aaldering Vineyards & Wines, Devon Valley, Stellenbosch, South Africa

Our ambition to produce world-class wines came to fruition in 2007. We started making our own wines and launched our first range of reds in 2010. These premium single variety wines were kept in 225-litre French oak barrels for an average of 24 months.

After years of perfecting the art of precision viticulture and innovative winemaking, our winemaker decided to mix it up and produce a blend of our different varieties. Fortunately, the Barrel Selection is now available to you too.

The *Florence by Aaldering* range was named after the only granddaughter of Marianne & Fons Aaldering, Florence. From the Latin name Florentius or the feminine form Florentia, which also means "prosperous" and "to blossom".

### Tasting Notes

This wonderful marriage of our Estate Shiraz, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Pinotage expressing aromas of cassis, dark plums and herbs intertwined with a rich mouthfeel of ripe fruit, pepper spice and supple polished tannins.

### Aging Potential

Enjoy right now or age up to 5-7 years. Bottled with a natural agglomerated cork in order to ensure a flawless aging capacity.  
Ideal serving temperature between 16-18°C/61-64°F.

### Food Matches

This versatile wine pairs well with a steak grilled to perfection or lamb chops hot off the coals.

### Technical Analysis

ALC: 14.88%    RS: 2.9 g/l    TA: 5.5 g/l    pH: 3.46

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