

Simonsig Tiara

"Press Highlights"

2017

•92 - WINE SPECTATOR, March 31, 2022

"Elegant, offering enticing aromas of shiso leaf and woodsy spice that are delicate and well-meshed, with flavors of ripe black and red currant, espresso, iron and singed citrus peel. Sleek and harmonious, with sculpted tannins providing fine form and a lightly chewy texture on the lingering finish...Drink now through 2032."

•90 – JAMES SUCKLING, November 30, 2021

"Blackberries, currants, peppercorns, tobacco leaves, graphite and bark on the nose. Some five spice, too. Medium-bodied with fine-grained tannins. Tight and mineral...Sustainable. Vegan. Drink or hold."

•90 – WINE ENTHUSIAST, December 2022 Issue

2011

•90 – JAMES SUCKLING, August 3, 2017

"Lots of prune and vanilla character here on the nose as well as Christmas-cake undertones. Full and ripe tannins and a very fruity palate. Rich style but I like it. Drink in 2020. Blend of Cabernet, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc."

•90 - WINE SPECTATOR, August 3, 2017

"A pure, sanguine-edged style, with lovely red currant, raspberry and cherry fruit, laced with singed vanilla and cedar notes. The long, fine-grained finish shows latent grip. Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc. Drink now through 2021."

2010

•90 - WINE ADVOCATE #209, October 2013

"The 2010 Tiara is a blend of 78% Cabernet Sauvignon, and the rest Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot and Malbec matured mainly in new French oak. It has a lifted, floral bouquet with kirsch, yellow plum and a touch of marmalade that is well-defined. The palate is medium-bodied with a toasty opening, well-balanced with a fine line of acidity and a pleasant, soy-tinged finish that lingers nicely in the mouth. This is a respectable Stellenbosch Cabernet. Drink now-2018."

•90 - WINE ENTHUSIAST, July 2014

"This Cabernet-based blend, with 13% Merlot, 4% Petit Verdot, 3% Cabernet Franc and 2% Malbec, opens with intense aromas of tobacco, leather, sweet smoke, cured meat, dried fig and fruit cake. Flavors of black berry, cherry and cassis unfold on the medium-weight palate, alongside firm, muscular tannins that hold on through the lingering finish. Drink now–2016."