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WINES OF CHARACTER

STELLENBOSCH

CAPE BLEND 2006

CABERNET SAUVIGNON, PINOTAGE,
MERLOT, PETIT VERDOT

VINIFICATION

Wine maker description	A velvety opulent wine made with the Cape's own grape Pinotage, blended with Cabernet sauvignon, Merlot and Petit Verdot. Intriguing multi-layered aromas, flavours and textures. Cloves, sweet almonds, black cherries and cocoa reminiscent of black forest cake. Cellar for 5-8 years.	
Varieties	48% Cabernet Sauvignon, 36% Pinotage, 10% Merlot, 6% Petit Verdot	
Origin	Wine of Origin Stellenbosch	
Vinification details	All the different grapes spent 5 days on cold maceration, where after it was fermented in stainless steel tanks at optimal temperatures of between 22-28°C. Here after malo-lactic fermentation took place on wood staves in stainless steel tanks. The different wines were then blended, and oak matured for 14 months in 60% new oak, mainly French and American.	
Date of bottling	13 th August 2008	
Analysis	pH 3.81 Residual sugar 2.2 g/L	Total acidity 5.9 g/L Alcohol 14.5%

PROVENANCE

Vineyard – Da Capo, Sir Lowry's Pass, Helderberg

Soils	Granite/Tukulu (decomposed granite) / Table Mountain Sandstone
Aspect	Cab. Sauv. – West ; Pinotage – South West ; Merlot - South & South West
Area	Cab. Sauv. – 5.86 Ha ; Pinotage – 4.5 Ha ; Merlot – 8 Ha ; Petit Verdot – 0.29 Ha
Trellising	Vertical Shoot Positioning
Irrigation	Drip
Predominant wind	SE Summer/NW Winter
Date of planting	Cab. Sauv – 2000 ; Pinotage – 2001 & 2002 ; Merlot – 1999 ; Petit Verdot – 2004
Clones	Cab. Sauv. – 46C & 1631, 15M, 169AX ; Pinotage – PI245 & PI148A ; Merlot – MO343 & MO12, MO181 & MO192, MO3 ; Petit Verdot – PR8719
Balling at picking	24.5 – 25.9°B



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