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WINES OF CHARACTER

STELLENBOSCH

## 'BORDEAUX-STYLE' BLEND 2006 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, CABERNET FRANC, MERLOT

### VINIFICATION

Wine maker description	A full bodied blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc. Inviting aromas of cassis, hazelnuts and marzipan spills over into subtle dark fruit, with tannins and a complex long lingering finish.	
Varieties	43% Cabernet Sauvignon, 32% Cabernet Franc, 25% Merlot	
Origin	Wine of Origin Stellenbosch	
Vinification details	These grapes received six days cold maceration prior to fermentation in stainless steel tanks. Fermented at between 24-28°C for 1 week and a half. The wine was then moved into 225L barrels, 50% new French and Hungarian oak for 14 months maturation.	
Date of bottling	29 <sup>th</sup> April 2008	
Analysis	pH 3.58 Residual sugar 2.9 g/	Total acidity 6.1 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 ; Merlot - South & South West ; Cab. Franc – North East & South West	
Area	Cab Sauv. – 5.86 Ha ; Merlot – 8 Ha ; Cab. Franc – 2.13 Ha	
Irrigation	Drip	
Predominant wind	SE Summer/NW Winter	
Date of planting	Cab. Sauv. – 2000 ; Merlot – 1999 ; Cab. Franc – 2000	
Clones	Cab. Sauv. – 46C & 1631, 15M, 169AX ; Merlot – MO343 & MO12, MO181 & MO192, MO3 ; Cab. Franc – CF312T	
Balling at picking	Cab. Sauv. – 24.2°B ; Merlot – 25°B ; Cab. Franc – 24.9°B	

