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WINES OF CHARACTER

STELLENBOSCH

'BORDEAUX-STYLE' BLEND 2015 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, MERLOT, CABERNET FRANC, PETIT VERDOT, MALBEC

VINIFICATION

Wine maker description	Full and complex. A multi-clone blend of five noble varieties. Explosive and evolving aromas of ripe black berries, leather and pencil crayon shavings are followed by hints of cedar wood, tobacco and trademark cassis character. A serious, tightly packed wine with a long lingering finish. A wine with great pedigree that will reward cellaring. Decanting recommended.	
Varieties	60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc, 5% Petit Verdot, 5% Malbec	
Origin	Wine of Origin Stellenbosch	
Vinification details	These grapes receive six days cold maceration prior to fermentation in stainless steel tanks. Fermented at between 24-28°C for 1 and a half weeks. The wine was then moved into 225L barrels, 45% new French oak for 14 months maturation.	
Date of bottling	31 st January 2017	
Analysis	pH 3.58 Residual sugar 2.5g/l	Total acidity 5.8g/l Alcohol 15%

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 – 2.31 Ha ; Petit Verdot – 0.29 Ha ; Malbec – 0,29 Ha	
Trellising	Vertical Shoot Positioning	
Irrigation	Drip	
Predominant wind	SE Summer/NW Winter	
Date of planting	Cab. Sauv. – 2000 ; Merlot – 1999 ; Cab. Franc – 2000 ; Petit Verdot 2004 ; Malbec - 2011	
Clones	Cab. Sauv. – 46C & 1631, 15M, 169AX ; Merlot – MO343 & MO12, MO181 & MO192, MO3 ; Cab. Franc – CF312T ; Petit Verdot – PR8719 ; Malbec – MC71B	
Balling at picking	Cab. Sauv. – 24.2°B ; Merlot – 25°B ; Cab. Franc – 24.9°B Petit Verdot – 24.9°B	

