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Cabernet Sauvignon 2018

VINTAGE

2018 was one of the smallest harvests South Africa had in more than a decade, which was really tough for the wine industry. This lesser harvest was due to the intense drought that the Western Cape had experienced in that time, and some of the long-standing farmers in the area believed that it was one of the worst droughts within 100 years. One will find farmers saying that it was a healthy year with regards to wine grapes, due to the decreased amount of rain and fewer viruses and pests.

WINE

Colour	Medium
Nose intensity	Medium plus
Alcohol	14.5%

CHARACTER PROFILE

On the nose, one picks up ample of smokiness, fresh blackcurrant fruit and a prominent liquorice note. The smoky aromas pleasantly follow through on the palate, as well as the noticeable darker black fruit characteristics.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This wine has spent two years in French oak and undergone malolactic fermentation. It appeals more to the back palate, that can be recognized by the dryer structure on the mouthfeel. The tannins of the wine are very well integrated, robust and persistent, with invigorating acidity. There is a lingering fruity after taste for about five seconds, and in general, the wine is well-balanced and follows through pleasantly from the nose to the palate. The ageing potential of this Cabernet Sauvignon is eight years.

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