

Stellekaya Merlot 2003

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Veritas 2006 - Silver

Inspired by the brightest star in Taurus, the 'giant red', Aldebaran, known as the 'eye of the bull'

The elegant nuances of plum, black current and spice combined with soft full ripe tannins create a complex and unique Merlot for 2003. Delicious now, can age further.

Its amenable character will make it a good match for most food, including white meat and poultry.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Stellekaya Winery

winemaker : Ntsiki Biyela, Mark Carmichael-Green

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 14.2 % vol rs : 2.42 g/l pH : 3.59 ta : 6.3 g/l va : 0.67 g/l so2 :
147 mg/l fso2 : 39 mg/l

type : Red wooded

pack : Bottle closure : Cork

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ageing : 5 - 8 Years.

in the vineyard : Situation: South slopes of Stellenbosch mountains

Altitude: 180 200 metres

Soil Type: Tukul (Decomposed Granite)

Age of Vines: 10 Years

Irrigation: Dry land land

Climate: Cool False Bay evening breezes

about the harvest: The grapes were hand picked at full ripeness in the second half of March 2003. The yield was about 7 tonnes per ha.

