

Rietvallei Cabernet Sauvignon 2005

A full-bodied wine with a deep red, almost black, colour. Lots of berry fruit flavours come through on the nose, with hints of coffee and bitter chocolate, ending with a noticeable toastiness and soft touch of vanilla flavours.

The fruity berry flavours are also evident on the palate with a good balance between fruit, tannin and wood. The wine is rounded off nicely with a subtle sweetness. Soft oak flavours and juicy tannins make for a satisfying finish.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

winery : Rietvallei Wine Estate

winemaker : Johnny Burger

wine of origin : Breede River

analysis : **alc** : 13.76 % vol **rs** : 4.1 g/l **pH** : 3.53 **ta** : 6.3 g/l **va** : 0.54 g/l **so2** : 112.0 mg/l **fso2** : 40.0 mg/l

type : Red **style** : Dry **body** : Full **taste** : Fruity **wooded**

pack : Bottle **closure** : Cork

in the vineyard : The Cabernet vineyards are planted in the highest hill of Rietvallei, called 'Klippiesdaal' (which directly translates to Stony Valley, because of the high concentration of stones in the soil) and are between 5 and 15 years old. These vines thrive in the crisp, clean Klein Karoo air.

about the harvest: The grapes were picked at 25° Balling by hand.

