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Rustenberg Stellenbosch Chardonnay 2006

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A typical South African Chardonnay because of its beautiful mineral notes and wonderful oak integration. The aromas have Burgundian characters of flint, peaches, lime and some nuttiness while the palate is elegant with loads of finesse that gives it length and freshness.

variety : Chardonnay | 100% Chardonnay
winery : Rustenberg Wines
winemaker : Adi Badenhorst
wine of origin : Coastal
analysis : alc : 14.2 % vol rs : 3.6 g/l pH : 2.92 ta : 7.6 g/l
type : White wooded
pack : Bottle closure : Cork

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ageing : 5 Years from vintage.

in the vineyard : Situation: North West slopes of the Helderberg Mountain and Simonsberg Mountain, Stellenbosch
Altitude: 140 - 260m
Distance from sea: 7 - 25km
Soil type: Decomposed Granite (Tukulu)
Rootstock: Richter 99
Age of vines: 22 Years
Trellising: Vertically shoot positioned
Pruning: 2 Bud Spur Pruning
Irrigation: Drip Irrigation

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested in February and March 2006.
Grape analysis: Acidity: 7 - 9.5 g/l
pH: 3.1 - 3.35
Sugar: 21.5° - 24° Balling
Yield: 5 - 6 tons/ha