

Guardian Peak Lapa Cabernet Sauvignon 2006

Old Mutual Trophy Wine Show - Trophy for Best Cabernet Sauvignon

Appearance: Opaque

Aroma: The new French oak gives a nice spice to the wine which is supported by Tobacco Leaf aromas and hints of Cigar box.

Palate: With the plush, rich tannins and the spicy oak aromas filtering onto the palate this wine shows classic Cabernet Sauvignon characteristics. A wine with great structure and a fresh red fruit finish.

Impression: "With a rich initial impression and firm tannin structure this wine has great aging potential and is best served slightly chilled."

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

winery : Guardian Peak

winemaker : Mark van Buuren

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 15.9 % vol rs : 3.6 g/l pH : 3.57 ta : 6.5 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

in the vineyard : **CLIMATE**

Mediterranean with the rainfall $\pm$ 650mm per annum, the EE vineyards are located high up on the northern slopes of the Helderberg Mountain. This contribution imparts warmer fruit flavours to the wine. In summer, the vineyards close proximity to the Atlantic Ocean result in cool sea breezes that keeps temperatures lower, extending the ripening period. The 2004 vintage started very dry and no rain was recorded in February. Fortunately the rain came in the beginning of March. This gave the vineyard the required boost to ripen the crop properly.

SOIL

A diverse composition of soil and topography add complexity and an array of different characteristics to the wine.

