

## Graham Beck The William 2006

Typical expression of a well structured unique South African blend. Flavours of plum, cherries, cinnamon and cigarbox. Soft and well structured tannins with loads of berry fruit and spices on the palate.

The Name: The William is named after the first grandson of Graham Beck the 3rd generation in this family business.

Spicy Cape Malaysian dishes, rich meaty or vegetable casseroles, sliced beef, game biltong or at a traditional South African braai.

**variety :** Cabernet Sauvignon | 56% Cabernet Sauvignon 30% Pinotage 14% Petit Verdot

**winery :** House of Graham Beck

**winemaker :** Pieter Ferreira

**wine of origin :** Breede River

**analysis :** alc : 14.56 % vol rs : 2.4 g/l pH : 3.45 ta : 5.97 g/l

**type :** Red **wooded**

**pack :** Bottle **closure :** Cork

**in the vineyard :** The Cabernet Sauvignon and Pinotage come from low yielding vineyards on our Firgrove Farm in Stellenbosch and the Petit Verdot from Franschhoek. Granite gravels with underlying layers of clay on the Stellenbosch estate with deep, well drained granite and sandstone soils in Franschhoek.

**in the cellar :** Both the Cabernet Sauvignon and Pinotage were fermented in open tanks with the cap punched down three to four times a day. The Petit Verdot was fermented in upright stainless steel tanks with aerated pump overs. Malolactic fermentation took place in stainless steel tanks. Barrel maturation for 15 months for Cabernet Sauvignon in 30% new and 70% 2nd and 3rd fill French oak. The Pinotage was matured in 30% new and 70% 2nd fill American oak and French oak for 13 months. The Petit Verdot was matured in 2nd and 3rd fill French oak barrels for 13 months. The wine was then blended and bottled.



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