

## Babylons Peak Babylon 2006

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Classic spicy red fruit, ripe plums and hints of chocolate with good balance and length.

Enjoy with meat dishes eg. venison, steak etc

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**variety** : Pinotage | 40% Pinotage 30% Cabernet Sauvignon 30% Shiraz

**winery** : Babylons Peak Private Cellar

**winemaker** : Stephan Basson

**wine of origin** : Swartland

**analysis** : **alc** : 14.5 % vol **rs** : 2.8 g/l **pH** : 3.8 **ta** : 6.4 g/l

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

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

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**ageing** : It is already soft and drinkable, but will reach its peak in the next 5-8 years.

### **in the vineyard : Terroir**

**Pinotage**: The vines are planted on the highest South-east slopes of the Paardeberg Mountain, about 700m above sea-level on wethered granite soil.

**Cabernet Sauvignon**: The vines are planted on the lower North-west slopes of the Paardeberg Mountain, on mixed soil - wethered granite soil and clay.

**Shiraz**: The vines are planted on the lower North-east slopes of the Paardeberg Mountain in deep glenrosa-scali type soil.

### **Vineyards**

**Pinotage**: The Pinotage vineyard is dryland bushvines and 26 years old. The crop of this specific block range between 3 and 4 tons/ha. This is the highest vineyard in the Swartland, about 700m above sea-level.

**Cabernet Sauvignon**: The vines are 18 years old with drip irrigation and trellised according the Perold trellising system. The production is limited to 4 - 5 tons/ha.

**Shiraz**: The Shiraz vines are 13 years old with drip irrigation and trellised according the Perold trellising system. Irrigation is again only used if it is necessary. Production is 6-7 tons/ha.