

Red Wine of the Year - Le Riche Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve 2005

Deep intense colour. Classical Cabernet and vanilla oak flavours on the nose. The palate shows fruit intensity with soft, supple yet solid tannins.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

winery : Le Riche Wines

winemaker : Etienne Le Riche

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : **alc** : 14.0 % vol **rs** : 1.6 g/l **pH** : 3.77 **ta** : 6.7 g/l

type : Red **wooded**

pack : Bottle **closure** : Cork

ageing : The intensity and complex structure of this top selection from the cellar suggests optimum maturity in 5 - 10 years from vintage.

in the cellar : Vineyards:

Southwest facing slopes. Decomposed Hutton type soil. Hedge type trellising system. Supplementary irrigation. Yield 10 t/ha. Blend of different clones.

Vinification:

Fermentation in open fermentors and then closed for maceration afterwards for 21 days in total. Maturation in oak barrels for 14 months (80%).

Awards:

Wine of the Months Club winner (Reserve category) - best out of 46 Cabernets.

Veritas Double Gold Award winner - 1998.

S.A. Airways Selection - First Class top ten.

John Platter Wine Guide - 5 star rating.