

Ashton Kelder Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot 2008

This wine has a strong Cabernet Sauvignon bouquet of liquorice, tobacco and fresh cranberries which is supported by the fresh plummy sweet fruit from the Merlot component. The fresh oak supports the flavours very well and fuses the bouquet with the medium bodied smooth palate.

Combined with rack of lamb, this wine is a winner.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot

winery : Ashton Winery

winemaker : Philip Louw

wine of origin : Robertson

analysis : alc : 14.5 % vol rs : 2.7 g/l pH : 3.64 ta : 5.5 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

ageing : This wine has an ageing potential of 3 to 5 years.

in the vineyard : **Area planted:** 200 ha

Age of vines: 10 - 15 Years

Rootstock: R99 & 101-14

Clone: Varies

Trellis system: Perold & 5 wire fence

Irrigation: Drip

Vine density: 2.7 x 1.5m

Soil: Karoo Gravel

Climate: Warm summer and cold winter

about the harvest: **Date:** Early to mid March

Type: Hand

Yield: 8 - 10 ton/ha

