

Eikendal Classique 2006

The Eikendal Classique is blend of 70% Cabernet Sauvignon and 15% Merlot and Cabernet Franc each - a wine that always entices the senses. Sweet, ripe black and red fruit abound, followed up with slight spice and typical earthy, mineral characters. On the pallet it grips with fine, silky tannins. This wine typifies what Eikendal is all about - it is a classy, understated red wine with staying power.

Enjoy with medium rare fillet medallions and rocket, Carpaccio with fresh beetroot, or a rich chocolate and berry tart.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | Cabernet Sauvignon 70%, Cabernet Franc 15%, Merlot 15%

winery : Eikendal Vineyards

winemaker : Henry Kotze

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 14.83 % vol rs : 2.8 g/l pH : 3.57 ta : 6.4 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

ageing : This wine is drinking well now, and can be enjoyed through 2015 and beyond.

in the vineyard : The Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot are older vineyards on the estate and grow on the south-eastern slopes of our estate, about 150m above sea level and 8.7 km from the sea, where the grapes become perfectly ripe. The vineyards are trellised in the Peroldt five-wire trellising system on decomposed Koffieklip ("Coffee Stone").

about the harvest: The winter preceding the 2006 vintage was wonderfully cold and wet, and good weather conditions at the start of the growing season led to good growth. The overall quality for the red wine vintage was very good, producing wines with great finesse.

