

## De Trafford Cabernet Sauvignon 2008

Medium deep, dark red colour. Red & blue berry nose with attractive cedary, spicy oak and fruit aromas. Softly tannic palate hiding a lot of fine fruit that opens up in the glass. Softer, more elegant and finer than most vintages, a little less intensity and long term ageability.

Delicious with most meat dishes, especially roast lamb.

**variety** : Cabernet Sauvignon | 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petit Verdot

**winery** : De Trafford Wines

**winemaker** : David Trafford

**wine of origin** : Stellenbosch

**analysis** : **alc** : 15.07 % vol **rs** : 1.7 g/l **pH** : 3.92 **ta** : 5.6 g/l **va** : 0.65 g/l **so2** : 63 mg/l **fso2** : 21 mg/l

**type** : Red **style** : Dry **wooded**

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

**ageing** : Drink 2012 to 2020.

**in the vineyard** : Typical cold, wet winter followed by a normal growing season with enough rain and warm weather to produce good, balanced growth. As in 2007 the Shiraz seemed to relish the knife-edge harvest conditions with small heat waves alternating with short, wet, cold spells. Though overall a little wetter over the harvest period. It seemed to bring out a spiciness and elegance similar to 2007, just a little softer and less intense.

**about the harvest**: Harvest date: 7/3/08 - 27/3/08 @ 23.5 - 25.6° B