

Guardian Peak Lapa Cabernet Sauvignon 2009

Appearance: Dark Opaque

Aroma: Eucalyptus aromas are prominent with a hint of pencil lead, characteristic to Cabernet Sauvignon.

Palate: Rich, ripe tannins come to the fore backed up by a powerful middle palate. This wine shows great structure complimented by a long, lengthy finish.

Impression: Jean Engelbrecht's appreciation for Napa styled Cabernet Sauvignons is the inspiration behind this wine. It will develop and mature beautifully over the next few years.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

winery : Guardian Peak

winemaker : Philip van Staden

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 15.38 % vol rs : 1.8 g/l pH : 3.74 ta : 6.3 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

in the vineyard :

Climate

Mediterranean rainfall of approx 650mm per annum. The vineyards are situated at the upper end of the valley, hence the slightly warmer and more moderate climatic conditions, resulting in optimum grape berry ripeness. The grapes are sourced from vineyards from 83m up to 250m above sea level.

Soil

A diverse composition of soil and topography add complexity and an array of different characteristics to the wine.

in the cellar : Fermentation took place in open top fermentors and was followed by a maceration period of 14 days after primary fermentation. The wine was matured in first fill French oak for 18 months.

