

Klein Steenberg Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot Cabernet Franc 2011

This easy drinking red wine is medium bodied with a distinct dark berry nose and dark chocolate, dried prunes and leather, complemented by soft tones of cedar wood. These aromas are carried through onto the palate, creating a well-balanced and structured wine.

"For Export Only"

Ideal with red meats and pastas.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Merlot, 6% Cabernet Franc

winery : Steenberg Vineyards

winemaker : JD Pretorius

wine of origin : Constantia

analysis : alc : 14.5 % vol rs : 2.3 g/l pH : 3.68 ta : 6.1 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **closure :** Screwcap

ageing : Ready for drinking now, but will reward cellaring up to three years.

about the harvest: The different cultivars are harvested separately.

in the cellar : The wine has good fruit concentration, supported by firm structure and a wonderfully accessible palate. The different cultivars are fermented separately. Once they are crushed and de-stemmed, the grapes are fermented on the skins in stainless steel tanks at about 28° C for 10 days, with two pump-overs per day. Hereafter they are pressed and taken to barrel for malolactic fermentation and aged for 12 months in 2nd and 3rd fill French and American oak. The blended wine then undergoes a light egg white fining just before bottling.



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