

Groot Constantia Cabernet Sauvignon 2011

The Cabernet Sauvignon is a well balanced wine with a dark ruby colour. The wine shows black currant, black cherries and plums with hints of cigar box and mint on the nose. The fruit and cigar box carries through on the palate with good flavour concentration on the palate that is backed by firm tannins, and leaves a long elegant finish.

Thin slices of rare roast sirloin in a red wine sauce, or a Beef espetada.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 100% Cabernet Sauvignon
winery : Groot Constantia Estate
winemaker : Boela Gerber
wine of origin : Constantia
analysis : alc : 14.22 % vol rs : 1.5 g/l pH : 3.57 ta : 5.7 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

ageing : The wine shows great fruit in its youth, but will definitely benefit from some ageing.

in the vineyard :

Climate: Mediterranean climate with cool breezes from the Atlantic Ocean. Average rainfall of 1100mm per annum.

Soil type: Hutton, Glenrosa and Cartref.

Viticulture: The Cabernet Sauvignon comes from blocks that is south and south east facing and is between 54m to 102m above sea level.

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested at 25°Balling.

in the cellar : The grapes were then fermented in stainless steel tanks. The wine matured for 13 months in 225ltr French oak barrels, of which 55% were new and the balance made up of 2nd and 3rd fill barrels.

