

## Avontuur Cabernet Sauvignon Merlot 2015

**Aroma:** Black berries and ripe plums offer a fresh fruitiness with hints of mild spice like cloves and star anise to add complexity.

**Flavour:** The full-bodied style introduces a juicy fruit profile with soft smooth tannins due to the barrel maturation component. The wine is accessible and drinkable now, but with sufficient grip to ensure ageing potential.

Perfect with red meat dishes and barbecue's, seared gamefish steaks or robust vegetarian dishes like Ratatouille.

Serve slightly chilled in summer

**variety :** Cabernet Sauvignon | 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 50% Merlot

**winery :** Avontuur Estate

**winemaker :** Jan van Rooyen

**wine of origin :** Stellenbosch

**analysis :** alc : 14.5 % vol rs : 2.01 g/l pH : 3.53 ta : 5.1 g/l

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

**pack :** Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

**ageing :** Drink now or until 2022

"Our Cabernet Merlot blend is made to be enjoyed from release date, but can be matured for a few years too. It's the perfect wine to serve at any social occasion and will never let you down." *Winemaker, Jan van Rooyen*

### **in the vineyard :**

Deep, well-drained Hutton and Clovelly soils. Planted on the west-facing slopes of the Helderberg, between Stellenbosch and Somerset West. Trellised on a 5-wire Perold system. Supplementary irrigation.

**about the harvest:** Harvested at full ripeness (24° Balling).

Harvest date: Late February to end-March 2015

**in the cellar :** Varietal: Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot in equal proportions.

De-stemmed and fermented on the skins for 10 days. After pressing, the wine went through malolactic fermentation in steel tanks after which a percentage was aged for 12 months in 2nd fill French oak barrels.

Bottling Date: 26 February 2018

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