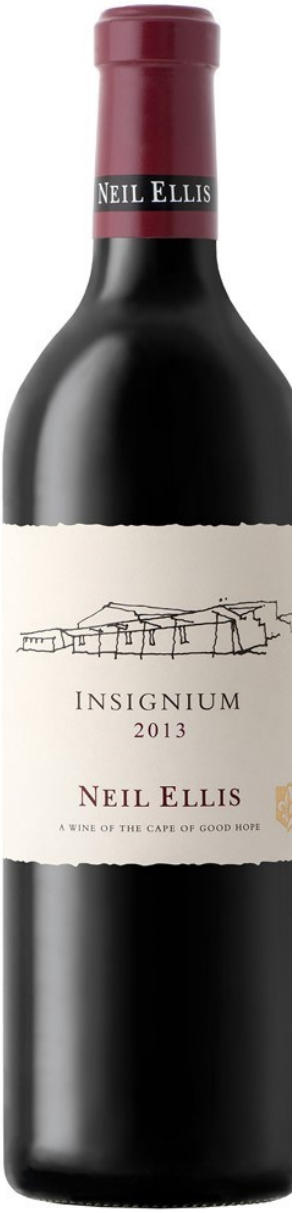
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Neil Ellis Insignium Tempranillo/Grenache 2013

Dark intense garnet colour. A subtle nose with cherries, violets and perfumed notes. The palate is elegant yet complex and dense. Dark berries and liquorice which unfolds into a fresh lengthy and balanced palate.



variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 70% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Cinsaut Noir
winery : Neil Ellis Wines
winemaker : Warren Ellis
wine of origin : Jonkershoek Valley
analysis : **alc :** 14.0 % vol **rs :** 1.8 g/l **pH :** 3.56 **ta :** 5.2 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fragrant **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

in the vineyard :

The Tempranillo is from trellised vineyards in the Bottelary hills overlooking Valse bay with cool ocean breezes rolling in during the evenings. The Grenache is from Piekenierskloof old bush vines grown ± 450m above sea level, with great temperature extremes.

in the cellar :

These Exquisite parcels were fermented separately in open top fermenters. A series of punch downs and pump overs were employed to manage extraction. Further maceration followed before racking to barrel for Malolactic fermentation. Blending commenced in September 2013 to give these components time settle before bottling. The wine spent 18 months in French oak barrels, of which 50% were first fill(Tempranillo 300L) and 50% was neutral oak

(Grenache 500L).

Bottled in December 2014