NOBLE HILL

Cabernet Sauvignon 2016

Cabernet has grown on the granite slopes of the Simonsberg mountain for over 300 years and produces classic, elegant wines. Aromas of cassis and Moroccan mint underlined by robust tannins and a long finish.

In the vines

The average age of our Cabernet Sauvignon vineyards is more than 20 years, meaning the vines are hardy, mature, and low-yielding. Through careful soil improvement practices and organic mulching, the vines grow evenly and produce excellent, compact berries despite their low yield.

2016 was a a fruitful, luscious vintage. We released this vintage after three years' bottle maturation.

The wine

Our estate Cabernet Sauvignon grapes have intense colour and structure, making a light touch the cornerstone of our cellar practices. We aim for a light extraction by gently transferring the juice over the skins twice daily during the fermentation. This wine is matured in 225 liter oak barrels for 18 months.

South Africa may be defined as a New World wine producer but this can be a bit of a misnomer: our vineyards are planted in some of the world's oldest soils. The decomposed granite soils that define our vineyards give this wine an earthy, cool and distinctively Old World character. We taste black fruit, cedar, and a hint of spice. This wine should age elegantly and show increased refinement through at least 2026.

Origin Simonsberg-Paarl **Production** 55 x 225 | barrels Alcohol 14.0% pH 3.6 Residual sugar 3.2 g/l Total acid 5.2 g/l



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