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CEDERBERG

SOUTH AFRICA

CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018

With a cool continental climate, diverse soil types, unpolluted air and free-flowing crystal-clear waters. High altitude Cabernet vineyards that have a longer ripening period give rise to this phenomenal wine.

VINEYARDS

Facing:	South west
Soil types:	Red Slate and Hutton
Age:	6.9 ha = average age of 16 years and 5.9ha = average age of 5 years
Planted:	12.71 ha
Yield per hectare:	6 - 7 t/ha
Trellised:	Extended 6 wire Perold
Irrigation:	Supplementary
Clone:	163C (Sleipp), CS46, 32, 27 on Richter 99
Harvest date:	8 March - 22 March 2018

WINEMAKING

Grapes are hand harvested at 24.5 – 25.5 balling. Cold soak for two days before it is inoculated with yeast. During fermentation colour/flavour extraction takes place with regular pump-overs every six hours along with two to three manual punch downs of the grape cap. A maximum temperature of 27°C is reached. On completion of fermentation a further 10-14 days of extended skin maceration takes place before pressing and barrelling in 225l French oak. Malolactic fermentation is completed in barrel and maturation is over 15 months in tight and medium grain oak. 40% 1st fill, 45% 2nd fill & 15 % 3rd fill barrel, tight and medium grain with medium and medium-plus toasting.

ANALYSIS

Alc 14.0 % vol TA 6.1 g/l RS 3.2 g/l pH 3.5

WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

A text-book Cabernet sauvignon with a combination of black fruit, blackcurrants and plums with hints of violets. Well integrated oak with a ripe tannin structure on the palate and a smooth finish.

Optimum Drinking Time: 3 – 6 years

FOOD PAIRING

Steak! Slightly fatter steak and richer lamb – not too much fat. A light berry sauce will do the thing. Ostrich, kidneys, liver and beef stews will all be fine.

Cheese: A beaufort, REAL gouda, younger cheddars, double Gloucester, older amsterdammer and stilton on your cheese board will just be fine.

ACCOLADES

SAWi Awards '18 - Platinum: 100 points

Platter's SA Wine Guide '20: 4.5 stars – 2017 vintage

Veritas '19: Silver Outstanding – 2017 vintage

IWSC '19: Silver – 2017 vintage

Novare SA Terroir Award '19 Cederberg Ward: Top Cabernet Sauvignon – 2017 vintage

Tim Atkin '19 Report – 2017 vintage

IWCA '19: Silver – 2017 vintage

Concours Mondial du Bruxelles: Silver Medal – 2017 vintage

Prescient Cabernet Sauvignon Report '19: 90 points – 2017 vintage