



# LINTON PARK SINTON PARK CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2013



# Composition: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon 12 months maturation French & American Oak Barrels

# ★ Vineyard : Linton Park Wine Estate

The Vineyards are called De Slange Rivier (Serpent river) and was founded by French Huguenot Louis Fourie in 1699, land granted by Cape Governor Adrian Van Der Stel. 84 Hectares under vine nestling on the high slopes of the Groenberg Mountain, Wellington District with sweeping views across to Table Mountain.

Winemaker: JG Auret Viticulture: Rudolf Jansen van Vuuren

# Climate / Quality of the soil/ Vines

Cool breeze micro-climate, one of the highest vineyards in South Africa with temperatures 6°C cooler than the valley giving our grapes slow ripening. Our vines thrive on the decomposed high mineral granite Oakleaf with sub –dominant Grenrosa and Tukulu soil formations on the mountain. The blocks are carefully manipulated for high concentrated flavour with low yields. Controlled irrigation and 7 strand hedge system with moveable foliage wires. The high trellis system ensures perfect vertical shoot positioning. Hand harvest in February at dawn to keep grapes cool for vinification. The Cabernet Sauvignon vines average 20 years old.

# Winemaking process on the Estate

Hand harvesting De-stemming and crushing

Maceration and controlled fermentation at 25°C during 10-14 days, in stainless steel tanks with pump overs twice a day

Pressing Malolactic fermentation was finished 2-6 weeks after the end of alcoholic fermentation.

Twelve months matured in 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> fill Oak barrels, carefully selected French and American oak barrels to match sensory. Stabilizing Filtering

Bottling and labelling at the Estate

### ★ Wine composition:

Alcohol: 14.5% Total acidity: 5.2g/L Residual sugar: 2.7g/L

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Deep mocha/chocolate aromas accompanied by red berries on the nose. Full bodied, plumy pallet with a strawberry finish aftertaste. This is a well balanced wine with outstanding quality.

### Food matches:

A delectable demi-glace of slowly simmered lamb trimmings, garlic, onions, carrots, celery, port, red wine, chicken broth, rosemary, and mint.

## Drinking temperature:

Best at a temperature between 16°C and 17°C.