

# J. Joostenberg

## ***Joostenberg Small Batch Collection Cabernet Sauvignon 2013***

The Small Batch Collection wines are made in miniscule quantities and allow the winemaker and his team to explore various winemaking techniques, grape varieties and vineyards. Sometimes he likes to push the winemaking boundaries a bit (the revolutionary process) and sometimes it's all about figuring out the results of small tweaks (the evolutionary process).

This is the first release of Cabernet Sauvignon sourced exclusively from Joostenberg vineyards. It's a classically styled Cabernet leaning towards the old world. Only 980 bottles were made.

### **Vineyards**

Our vineyards lie on the south western edge of the Paarl region. The climate is Mediterranean - i.e. cold, wet winters and dry summers. Soils are a combination of decomposed granite and Malmesbury shale. In order to optimize the influence of terroir all of the vineyards are managed according to organic principles. These grapes were sourced from a 14 year old, dry-farmed vineyard.

### **Vinification**

Grapes were hand-picked and de-stemmed. Fermentation occurred in small open-topped tanks with regular punch-downs. Maturation occurred in large 300ℓ and 500ℓ oak barrels for a period of 18 months.

### **Tasting Notes**

Dominant cedar wood aromas and blackberry undertones immediately identify this wine as a Cabernet Sauvignon. The palate is in the classic mode i.e. medium bodied with a long finish, marked by elegant, dry tannins.

### **Wine Analysis**

Alcohol:	13.5%
Residual Sugar:	1.6 g/ℓ
Total Acid:	5.0 g/ℓ
pH:	3.7

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