

GRAVEL QUARRY 2011

The prestigious Gravel Quarry Cabernet Sauvignon is made from the best Cabernet Sauvignon grown at Glen Carlou, each year the vineyards which produce fruit of great depths and concentration are selected.

Cabernet Sauvignon may be king but he is not the perfect monarch. Bordeaux's rise to the most classic and renowned wine region was certainly not built on Cabernet Sauvignon alone and for many years even included Shiraz. But there is no mistaking Cabernet's blackcurrant scent or the ability to produce wines of great longevity. Like many monarchs, Cabernet Sauvignon is thick-skinned, providing all the character of colour, tannin and aroma. Cabernet Sauvignon is also versatile, colonising many of the world's vineyards capable of producing light and elegant through to dark, rich and powerful wines.



Appellation	Paarl
Varieties	Cabernet Sauvignon
Harvest Date	March, 2011
Analysis	Alc: 14.5% R.S 2.2 T.A 6.2g/l pH 3.57
Fermentation	14 days in stainless steel tanks, followed by 10 days on skins.
Ageing	18 months in 100% new French oak – Nevers MHT & Les Bertrange HT
Bottling Date	July, 2014
Optimum Drinkability	2016 to 2024
Enjoy With	Best enjoyed with rich braised red or grilled red meat dishes.
Winemaker's Note	This wine has a deep crimson appearance and offers a rich bouquet of dark chocolate, along with primary fruits like blueberries and blackberries. These flavour profiles are carried through to the palate, with balanced oak, hints of cedar and some tobacco leaf. The tannins are fine and clean with well balanced acidity. It will age exceptionally well. I would recommend pairing this with prime rib on the bone or a great slow cooked lamb dish.