

GRAVEL QUARRY 2010

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, 2010
Analysis	Alc: 14% R.S 2.4 T.A 5.7g/l pH 3.58
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	October, 2011
Optimum Drinkability	2015 to 2022
Enjoy With	Best enjoyed with rich braised red or grilled red meat dishes.
Winemaker's Note	Dark violet with a magenta-purple hue with good clarity. The distinct Cabernet aromas of black cherry red fruit berries, cedar with some pine-needles and hints of cinnamon are found on the nose. The palate has delicious flavours of mixed berries, black cherries, mint and oak. It is full bodied with firm, round tannins and has good balance. The wine has a rich and full-bodied finish with great length, acidity and tannins. This is an intense wine which will mature beautifully over 4-8 years.