



BERNHEIM *Wines*

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“We dedicate our wines to those who dare to dream!”

BERNHEIM CLASSIQUE 2008

Happiness is a life-long dream come true. To partners Pieter Taljaard, Hermann Helmbold and winemaker Jacques Kruger, this has meant the acquisition of the beautiful Bernheim & Kersfontein wine farms. The vineyards are situated on the slopes of Paarlberg and Paardeberg looking out onto the Du Toits kloof mountain range. The soils and climate are ideally suited for the cultivation of noble red grape varieties.

Wine Making Details

The grapes were allowed to reach optimum ripeness before being hand harvested. Careful selection in the vineyard resulted with only the best grapes being used. Fermentation was completed before the grapes were pressed and the wines pumped to 225 liter barrels for maturation. Each wine was made and barrel matured individually before being selected for this Bordeaux style wine. The average maturation period in new 225 liter barrels was 17 months for the Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot and 21 months for the Cabernet Franc.

This wine was made by carefully selecting and blending the barrel matured Cabernet Sauvignon 62 %, Merlot 24 % and Cabernet Franc 14% to achieve a full bodied wine with a deep rich velvety colour, strong layers of oak with hints of cherry flavours elegantly balanced with a lingering aftertaste.

Analysis at Bottling

Alcohol %	14.5 vol. %
Residual Sugar	3.9 g / l
Total Acidity	5.7 g / l
Ph	3.65

Enjoy on its own or with any casual meal.



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