

Old World Elegance, New World Verve

Stellenbosch, South Africa

# KISS & TELL RESERVE

## Limited Release 2003

Kiss & Tell Reserve personifies the perfect balance between Old World elegance and New World verve.

A couture Cape blend of Old World and New World varietals hand-harvested, hand-selected and hand-crafted to create a truly enchanting lifestyle experience, Kiss & Tell Reserve delivers a wealth of immediately gratifying sensations but also promises a more complex relationship with time.



## Winemaker's Notes

Vintage 2003

Varietals Shiraz (43%) Merlot (42%) Malbec (10%) Mourvèdre (5%)

Wine of Origin Stellenbosch

Winemaker David John Bate with Hempies du Toit

Production 8 Barrels Bottle Size 750 ml Yield 7 t/ha °Balling/Harvest 24 û Alcohol 14.3 %/vol Residual Sugar 2.8 q/l TΑ 5.3 g/l VA 0.9 g/l FSO<sub>2</sub> 23 mg/l

pH 3.7

Oak 24 months French oak (Nevers and Alliers)

Combination of new wood and second fill wood

Medium plus toast

Maturation Barrel matured with MLF (la malo) in barrels

 UPC
 6009812400019 (individual bottles)

 SCC
 06009812400026 (cases of 6 bottles)

# **Tasting Notes**

## **Appearance**

Deep opaque magenta core extending to medium purple rim pushing a watery edge. Clear, brilliant lustre and luminosity with long legs and notable colour extraction that foreshadow full bodied wine.

### Nose

Big, bold first impression with nuances of wild blackberries, ripe raspberries, black cherries and sweet black liquorice complemented by whiffs of West Indies spices such as whole cloves, nutmeg and black peppercorns. Hints of chocolate and dusty earthiness allude to established oak pedigree.

### Taste

Mouth filling with soft, seductive tannins. Well balanced acidity underpins velvety mouth feel. Initial intensity of flavours include black plums, burnt black cherries and candied black currants finessed by mid-palate nuances of red peppers, rosemary and Burgundy anise with trailing undertones of vanilla and cinnamon. Rounded, lingering farewell with smoky, humidor box finish.

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