



Leopard Frog Vineyards

*Old World Elegance,
New World Verve*

Stellenbosch, South Africa

KISS & TELL RESERVE

Limited Release 2004

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



Winemakers' Notes

<i>Vintage</i>	2004
<i>Varietal</i>	Shiraz (38%) Merlot (38%) Malbec (12%) Mourvèdre (12%)
<i>Wine of Origin</i>	Stellenbosch
<i>Winemaker</i>	David John Bate
<i>Production</i>	16 Barrels
<i>Bottle Sizes</i>	750 ml
<i>Yield</i>	7 t/ha
<i>°Balling/Harvest</i>	24 ù
<i>Alcohol</i>	14.56 %/vol
<i>Residual Sugar</i>	2.24 g/l
<i>TA</i>	5.63 g/l
<i>VA</i>	0.72 g/l
<i>FSO₂</i>	30 mg/l
<i>pH</i>	3.72
<i>Oak</i>	18 months French oak (Nevers) Combination of new wood and second fill wood
<i>Maturation</i>	Barrel matured with MLF (la malo) in barrels
<i>UPC</i>	6009812400033 (individual bottles)
<i>SCC</i>	06009812400040 (cases of 12 bottles)

Tasting Notes

- Appearance** Deep opaque magenta core extending to medium purple rim pushing a watery edge. Clear, brilliant lustre and luminosity with strong legs 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 apt use of wood.
- 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, humidior box finish.

Observations

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