



LEOPARD FROG vineyards

Couture Cape Wines from Stellenbosch, South Africa



TANTRA

Proprietor's Limited Release 2005

Tantra is an 'upside down' petit Bordeaux blend that orchestrates the sensuality and sophistication of three benchmark Old World varietals within a New World arrangement. By elevating varietals traditionally found only in small quantities in Bordeaux blends, this couture Cape offering delivers a hedonistic yet harmonious lifestyle experience sure to please the mind, body and soul.

Winemaker's Notes

Vintage	2005
Varietals	Cabernet Franc (46%) Cabernet Sauvignon (31%) Petit Verdot (23%)
Wine of Origin	Stellenbosch
Winemaker	David John Bate
Production	7 Barrels
Bottle Size	750 ml
Yield	7 t/ha
°Balling/Harvest	24 û
Alcohol	14 %/vol
Residual Sugar	3.2 g/l
TA	5.7 g/l
VA	0.66 g/l
FSO ₂	29 mg/l
pH	3.61
Oak	18 months French oak (Nevers) Combination of new wood and second fill wood Medium plus toast
Maturation	Barrel matured with MLF (la malo) in barrels
UPC	6009812400118 (individual bottles)
SCC	06009812400125 (cases of 6 bottles)

Tasting Notes

Appearance

Swirling hues of deep dark garnet extend to a medium purple rim pushing a watery saffron edge. Clear, brilliant lustre and luminosity with long legs and notable colour extraction that foreshadow a complex and full bodied wine.

Nose

Alluring aromas of black cherries, black plum compote and black liquorice complemented by whispers of cassis and sweet spices with top notes of mocha and melted dark chocolate. Hints of vanilla, cinnamon and freshly rolled long leaf Havana wrapper tobacco allude to substantial oak pedigree.

Taste

Firm tannins and crisp acidity uplift fruit within a sensuous and silky mouth filling palate. Early flavours of orchard cherries, spiced black currants, Christmas pudding and Dutch black liquorice yield to mid-palate nuances of pencil shavings and seared meat with trailing notes of roasted red peppers, black peppercorns and cloves. Whispers of caramel and cocoa in a sultry, lingering farewell that touches all your senses.