

# LEOPARD FROG vineyards

Couture Cape Wines from Stellenbosch, South Africa



# **TANTRA**

# Proprietor's Limited Release 2006

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.

A limited release of 7 barrels (175 cases) only.

#### Winemaker's Notes

Vintage 2006

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 14.5 %/vol
Residual Sugar 2.5 g/l
TA 6.6 g/l
VA 0.83 g/l
FSO<sub>2</sub> 2 32 mg/l

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 6009812400224 (individual bottles) SCC 06009812400231 (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

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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 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.