

# The Game Reserve

by ROOIBERG WINERY



As one of South Africa's champions of farming in harmony with nature, Rooiberg Winery is committed to conserving, protecting and rehabilitating this country's precious indigenous fauna and flora and the unique habitats that sustain them. The Game Reserve range of wines celebrates this passion for sustainability and caring custodianship by offering wine lovers an opportunity to share in this exciting concept.

A groundbreaking collaboration between Rooiberg Winery and the Wilderness Foundation will see even greater strides being made towards conservation, upliftment and education. For more information on Rooiberg Winery, The Game Reserve range and the Wilderness Foundation visit: [www.rooiberg.co.za](http://www.rooiberg.co.za) • [www.wildernessfoundation.co.za](http://www.wildernessfoundation.co.za)

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## The Game Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2016

**VARIETY:** Cabernet Sauvignon

**VINTAGE:** 2016

**AREA OF ORIGIN:** Western Cape, South Africa

**THE CAPE LEOPARD:** One of the most admired yet elusive of Africa's Big Five animals, the leopard (*Panthera pardus*), is a notoriously shy creature. As an apex predator this big cat is critical to the sustainability of many other species. The Cape leopard may represent a unique subspecies. An exciting research project has established that a total of seven leopards currently roam the area. Our Robertson farm plays a vital role in maintaining the genetic diversity and distribution of this majestic species.

**VINEYARD:** A unique selection of prime Cabernet Sauvignon vineyards from our estate in Robertson and Firgrove, Stellenbosch and dry land vineyards in Groenekloof, Darling. This includes a site located on the South-East facing slope of the Rooiberg Mountain that incorporates the game reserve on the Graham Beck property. The Cabernets are planted on red Karoo soil in Robertson, on Coffeestone soils in Stellenbosch and well weathered deep red soils in Darling. The vineyards yield around 6 to 8 tons per hectare.

**HARVEST & CELLAR TREATMENT:** The grapes were handpicked at full phenolic ripeness. Destalked, gently crushed and fermented with 4 daily pump overs to ensure maximum extraction. Matured in combination of 1st, 2nd and 3rd fill French oak barrels for 12 months.

**TASTING NOTES:** The wine has a great complexity of black berry fruit, dark chocolate, plums and tobacco spice on the nose. This wine has a rich, juicy entry supported by a dense fruit core and firm tannins. An elegant creamy palate leads to a long lingering finish.

**SERVING:** Excellent with North African dishes, spicy Moroccan tagines, osso bucco and hearty risottos.

**ANALYSIS:**

Alcohol: 14.49 % vol  
Residual Sugar: 3.7 g/L  
pH: 3.54  
Total Acid: 5.8 g/L



  
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