# Waterford Estate Library Collection #2 Cabernet Sauvignon

2016

**Cultivars:** 

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Vineyard: 585 bottles

**Quantity:** Aged in French oak 225L barrels for 19

Aging: months. 30% 2nd fill, 30% 3rd fill, 30% 4th fill

Wine Analysis: Alc 13.54

TA 5.3 RS 1.7 pH 3.54

### **TASTING NOTE**

Very classical Cabernet aromatics. Driven by earthy, cold stone, blackcurrant notes. Faint hints of menthol and tea-leaf which is very characteristic of the higher slopes of the Helderberg mountain. Soft cinnamon and cigar box oak rounds the aromatics off well. The palate has a lovely purity of fruit with the typical dry and tight tension found in Cabernet Sauvignon.

## **VINEYARD**

This Cabernet Sauvignon is a blend of 2 different vineyards on the farm. 40% coming from the highest lying Cabernet Sauvignon vineyard giving more elegance and freshness, and the other 60% arising from slightly lower down vineyard giving a little more warmth and power.

# **VINTAGE REVIEW 2017**

A vintage which will be remembered for drought and heat. Waterford Estates location on the Helderberg mountain and the near proximity to the ocean, however allow our vineyards to cool down over night. The lack of water resulted in light bunches with tiny berries, great for red wine colour and flavour. The heat also resulted in wines being lower in acidity. Red wines performed exceptionally well.

### PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

Savoury red meats work beautifully Salt a key factor to the dish



