



- Country: South Africa
- Region: Stellenbosch and Coastal Region
- Subregion: Stellenbosch
- Vintage: 2018
- Colour: Red
- Grape Variety: Cabernet Sauvignon and Cinsault
- ABV: 14%
- Bottle Size: 75cl
- Closure: Screwcap
- Style: Bright and crunchy
- Drink With: A well seasoned steak or if you're vegetarian, chicken!! See below

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ERNIE ELS BIG EASY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018

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This crunchy and full fruited Cabernet Sauvignon was sourced from proprietary vineyards on the Heldeberg together with contract grown fruit from different Coastal Regions. A great value Cabernet with a sweet fruited palate, a generous and boldly fruited nose that tends towards red fruits such as Raspberries. It is medium bodied with decent structure. Made from 85% Cabernet Sauvignon with Cinsault filling the rest of the blend.

Tasting at the estate, we arrived after a dreadful journey, missing our flight connection from Manchester and going into a days tasting immediately. Ernie Els was the last tasting of the day and so they had prepared a barbecue or Braai as they say there. They loaded a couple of fillets onto the braai and then announced that they were unsure if any of us were vegetarian and so had prepared some chicken too!!

ABOUT THE GROWER

Ernie Els Wines was established in 1999, and from the outset the intention was to produce world class wines that mirrored the quality of some of the world's greatest bottles he had been fortunate enough to enjoy whilst playing. On his travels around the world, Ernie has been a great ambassador for South Africa and it was his desire that his wines do the same. The focus, discipline and commitment that Ernie displayed during his golf career were all brought to bear on his new project. Ernie chose Stellenbosch, right at the heart of South African winemaking, to create his winery and vineyards and for those of you lucky enough to visit the estate on the slopes of the Helderberg Mountain you'll find it manicured to perfection, both inside and out.

Louis Strydom is the man who crafts the wines at Ernie Els Wines and, ever since the first vintage in 2000, he has been regarded as one of the finest winemakers in the Cape. Ernie's love of Bordeaux is reflected in the choice of grape varieties planted and the wines produced at his estate, but they are all stamped with the unique hallmark of South Africa.