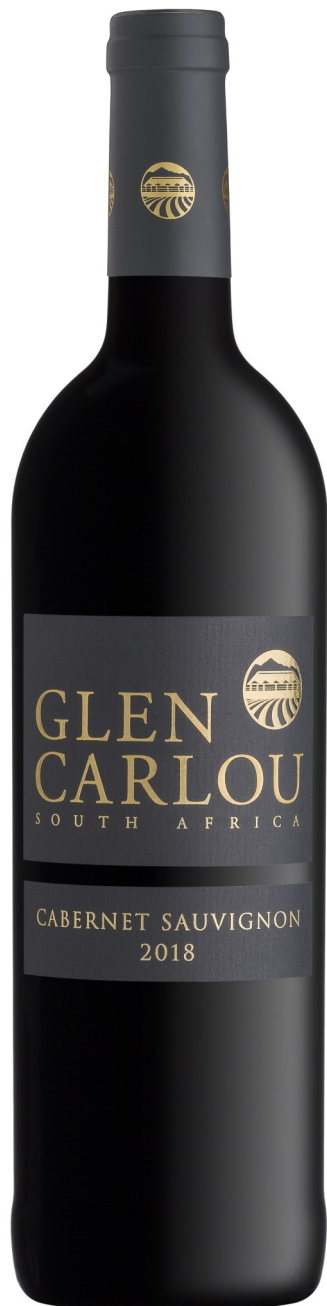# GLEN CARLOU
SOUTH AFRICA

2018 Cabernet Sauvignon

Glen Carlou is situated in the Simonsberg—Paarl region of South Africa's Western Cape. Of the current 31 blocks planted and which encompass a variety of slopes and aspects, each is nurtured according to its own unique potential, respecting the natural cycles of the vines.

A vineyard replanting programme is underway adding 5 hectares per year. Hardier, tougher drought resistant rootstocks and new varietal clonal selections are being planted.

Our 145 hectare property transferred back to local ownership when in 2016, Glen Carlou was purchased by a South African family consortium.

The rich tapestries of passionate people interwoven with insightful custodians have shaped and continue to develop Glen Carlou Vineyards.

A splendid storyline supports our desirable reputation of being a trusted, highly awarded, globally respected wine brand.

Wine of Origin	Paarl
Wine Analysis	Alc. 14% R.S. 2.7g/l T.A. 6.4g/l pH 3.41
Vinification	Grapes for this wine were sourced from 10 different vineyards within the greater Paarl appellation. Each block was kept separate until final blending. The grapes were cold soaked for a minimum of 5 days before fermentation, and left for at least 12 days on the skins. Fermentation was undertaken in open-top stainless steel tanks with regular pump overs. The wine was aged for 15 months in 2nd fill French oak.
Optimum Drinkability	Drink now; best within three years of vintage
Winemaker's Tasting Note	"This wine has a great structure and is an honest and identifiable Simonsberg Cabernet Sauvignon. Notes of dark fruit, plum, cherry and cigar box are evident on the intriguing nose. Ripe blackberry and dark cherry flavours on the palate support the mint and dark chocolate aftertaste. The tannins, fruit and oak on this noble example are perfectly integrated, resulting in a balanced and full-bodied wine, with a seamless finish". Johnnie Calitz (winemaker)