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## Comments of a Bon Vivant:

*Fall vibes. A nice wine that covers the spectrum from Casula gatherings to formal dinners. Pairs well with grilled steak, roasted meats, braised beef dishes, and mature cheese.*

## Neil Ellis Stellenbosch Cabernet Sauvignon

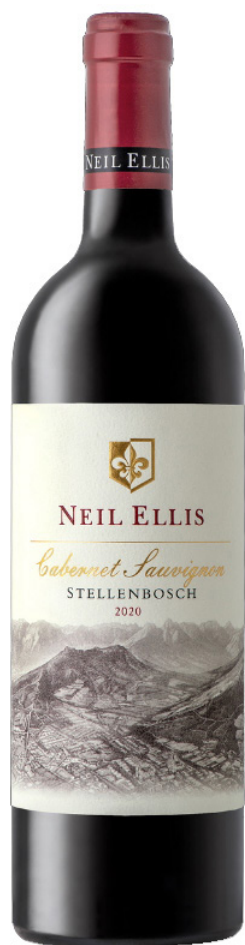


Neil Ellis is considered to be one of the most influential pioneers of the modern-day South African wine industry. His vision, the pursuit of quality, extended out of the cellar and into the vineyards where varieties would excel and best express a particular style of wine reflective of their environment. Today, the experience and knowledge of the past are applied to modern techniques and technologies for a new generation of winemaking. The team at Neil Ellis Wines, which includes Neil's daughter and two sons in leading roles, believes in responsible environmental practices. They are committed to respecting the soil, cutting water use, recycling and reducing energy use and greenhouse emissions. They are a member of the IPW, a voluntary environmental sustainability program, and comply to their regulations. In addition, they are a proud member of South Africa's WIETA and the Cape Winemaker's guild with its Protégé program, demonstrating the family's commitment to ethical work practices and the promotion of the industry's diversity program.



Vibe: *Fall*  
Emotions/Occasions:  
*Family*  
*Grounded*

## Neil Ellis Stellenbosch Cabernet Sauvignon



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Region	Coastal Region
Classification	Stellenbosch
Vintage	2020
Grapes	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Soil Composition	Decomposed granite
Vineyard Training	Selected southwest facing vineyards in Jonkershoek and Bottelary
Density/Yield	40 hl/ ha
Fermentation	Alcoholic fermentation in stainless steel, followed by malolactic fermentation in French oak barrels. 18 months on fine lees in barrique, 25% new oak
Alcohol	14.0%
Residual Sugar	1.0 g/l
PH	3.6 g/l
TA	5.4 g/l
Free SO <sup>2</sup>	41 mg/l
Total SO <sup>2</sup>	110 mg/l

## VITICULTURE

The 2020 Stellenbosch Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from select vineyard sites across Stellenbosch, with a focus on the Jonkershoek Valley and Bottelary Hills wards. These sites were chosen for their complementary terroirs—Jonkershoek, with its cooler microclimate and elevated slopes, contributes structure, finesse, and freshness, while the warmer Bottelary Hills offer richness, ripe fruit character, and depth.

Vines are planted on well-drained decomposed granite soils, ideal for promoting deep root development and balanced growth. Trellising systems are carefully managed to optimize sun exposure and airflow, while supplementary irrigation is used judiciously to support vine health and ensure consistent ripening. The result is a harmonious, site-driven expression of Stellenbosch Cabernet Sauvignon.

## SALES FACTS:

- Member of South Africa's IPW program
- Member of Wine & Agricultural Industry Ethical Trade Association (WIETA)
- Neil Ellis Cabernet wines constantly win awards for best South African Cabernet Sauvignon