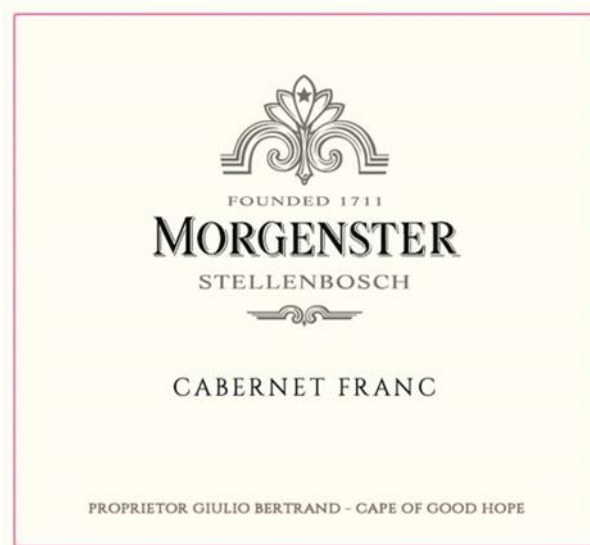


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Background

Owner: Giulio Bertrand

Country: South Africa

Region: Stellenbosch

Founded: 1711

Description: One of South Africa's oldest wineries, Morgenster traces its history to the early 18th century. The estate was purchased in 1992 by Italian fashion magnate Giulio Bertrand who upgraded the property extensively. In addition, since 1994, Pierre Lurton of Bordeaux's Chateau Cheval Blanc, has acted as consultant and has helped produce a string of exceptional and acclaimed wines. The estate is now owned and operated by Giulio's family.

Wine Notes – 2019 Morgenster Cabernet Franc

Morgenster's Cabernet Franc is part of the estate's set of single varietal offerings and offers an excellent window into the effect of Morgenster's blessed terroir on the classic Bordeaux varietals that form the base of their production. Grown in the mixed soils of postcard-perfect Stellenbosch nestled under the Hottentots-Holland mountain range, this bottling has many classic Cabernet Franc characteristics including a nose of lush cassis fruit with notes of cinnamon and clove. On the palate, this fruit-driven beauty is exceptionally smooth with notably velvety tannins and a flavor profile dominated by pure and expressive black fruits.

Technical Specifications

Varietal Composition:	100% Cabernet Franc
Vineyard Region:	South Africa / Western Cape / Stellenbosch
Vine Age / Yields:	5-20 years
Vineyard Characteristics:	Mixture of decomposed granite, decomposed sandstone and shale, steep west and south west exposures
Winemaking / Vinification:	Hand-harvested, destemmed, 2-3 week fermentation in stainless steel tanks with minimal extraction to preserve fresh fruit flavors Aged 12 months (6 months on lees) in used French oak barrels to maintain fruit expression followed by six months of bottle age.
Alcohol / Volume:	13.5%
Acidity:	5.2 g/l
pH:	3.7
Residual Sugar:	~2.0 g/l