


## Babylon's Peak

### South Africa - Western Cape

Babylon's Peak is a private cellar located on the slopes of the Paardeberg Mountains between Malmesbury and Paarl. Four generations have farmed here, passing down their winemaking knowledge and passion through the ages. Current winemaker Stephan Basson joined his father in 2003 and started making wine under the Babylon's Peak brand. Stephan is a passionate and warm-hearted family man. He has dedicated his life to the wine industry and keeping the Basson legacy alive through the range of characterful Babylon's Peak wines.

The name Babylon's Peak is derived from the very high granite peak on the farm, which is known to local people as 'Babylonstoren' (in English, 'The Tower of Babylon'). Some of the highest vineyards in the Swartland region are found here at about 700 meters above sea level. The Paardeberg area is characterized by decomposed granite soils and unique terroir which result in optimum soil expression and fruit purity. All the grapes used for the wines are carefully selected and treated before the wine is made in the traditional way. Being a private cellar, they have the opportunity to select and bottle only the best quality wines.

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| <b>Founded</b>   |
| 2003   |
| <b>Location</b>  |
| South Africa   |
| <b>Wine Production Area</b>  |
| South Africa - Western Cape - Coastal Region - Swartland                                     |
| <b>Owners</b>  |
| Stephan Basson   |
| <b>Winemaker</b>   |
| Stephan Basson   |
| <b>Grape Varietals</b>   |
| Chenin Blanc, Viognier, Roussanne, Shiraz, Mourvedre, Grenache, Carignan, Cinsault, Pinotage |
| <b>Annual Production</b>   |
| 30,000 (9-liter cases)   |
| <b>Website</b>   |
| <a href="http://www.babylonspeak.co.za">www.babylonspeak.co.za</a>                           |