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Kanonkop Wine Estate

2003 Paul Sauer Stellenbosch (\$39; 63% cabernet sauvignon, 31% cabernet franc and 6% merlot): Medium ruby-red. Explosive aromas of blackberry, violet, iron, graphite, meat, leather and licorice, all lifted by a floral note. Sweet, dense and silky, with highly concentrated candied fruit flavors and superb inner-palate verve. Complicating notes of tar and forest floor. Finishes firmly tannic and very long. An outstanding vintage for this South African classic. **92(+?)**