

## Delaire Merlot 1997

Distinctive Mbrello cherry and black plum fruit flavors are well supported by a spicy oakiness. An immense dry tannin structure results in a complete mouthfilling finish.

variety : Merlot | Merlot

winery : Delaire Graff Estate

winemaker : .

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : alc : 13.06 % vol    rs : 2.24 g/l    pH : 3.24    ta : 6.77 g/l

type : Red

pack : Bottle    closure : Cork

South African Veritas Awards 1999 Gold Medal

John Platter South African Wine Guide rated 4 Star

South African Wine Magazine March 2000 - Amongst Top 13 Merlots in South Africa rated 3½ Star

International Wine Challenge 2000 "Silver Medal"

Rated 87 points by US Wine critic Robert Parker Jnr in a review of S.A. wines appearing in his international publication, The Wine Advocate.

ageing : Will age well over the next 5 to 10 years.

in the vineyard : For this flagship wine, the winemaker selected a small East facing vineyard, with high clay soils, for itâ€™s slow ripened fruit. Bunches were hand selected for this limited edition wine of 200 cases.

