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Groote Post Merlot 2005

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2007 Swiss International Air Lines Wine Awards - Bronze Award
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A wine that is a product of our never ending quest to perfect our wine-making craft. The 2005 vintage is the most elegant and stylish Merlot that we have produced and all the characteristics one seeks in Merlot are in abundance. A hint of smoked beef and mint on the nose. An explosion of blackberries, plum and chocolate on the palate. The firm tannin and mint structure adding to the complexity of this wine that was aged in French oak for 17 months.



variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot
winery : Groote Post Vineyards
winemaker : Lukas Wentzel
wine of origin : Darling
analysis : alc : 14.5 % vol rs : 2.3 g/l pH : 3.72 ta : 5.5 g/l
type : Red wooded
pack : Bottle closure : Cork

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in the vineyard : Vines planted: 1993
Soil: Hutton & Oakleaf
Clones: MO: 181 & 192 B
Yield: 8t/ha
Irrigation: Supplementary
Trellising: 5 wire Perold
Elevation: 300m

in the cellar : When it comes to Merlot selection â€“ quality is the name of the game. First vineyards block selection, then during crush and then a selection of grapes over the sorting table. The grapes undergo a maceration of 3 â€“ 4 days before inoculation with yeast. After fermentation it spends another 3 weeks on the skins. Before going to barrel we do another selection of the wines.
Wood maturation: 20% New oak barrels; 80% second fill barrels for 17 months
Bottled: October 2006

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