

Vergenoegd Merlot 1997

Colour: Dense ruby.
Nose: Minty, intense berry fruit.
Taste: Rich mouthfull, soft, intense fruit.

variety : Merlot | Merlot
winery : Vergenoegd Löw The Wine Estate
winemaker : John Faure
wine of origin : Coastal
analysis : alc : 12.65 % vol rs : 2.3 g/l pH : 3.42 ta : 6.7 g/l
type : Red
pack : Bottle **closure** : Cork

ageing : Matured in oak for 12 months

in the vineyard : Planted on our more fertile alluvial vlei soils on the banks of the Eerste River, these vines grow well. They are trellised on a four wire hedge trellis system and are pruned back to two eye spurs. To restrict yield and promote light penetration for better colour, we practise an extensive summer pruning programme. The vines are eleven years old and require supplementary irrigation when necessary.

about the harvest: Harvest Date: 10 March 1997
Sugar at Harvest: 23.8° Balling

in the cellar : Cooperage:
30% 1st fill French Oak
30% 2nd fill French Oak
40% 3rd fill French Oak

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