

Noble Hill "1674" Signature Blend 2005

Color: Dense garnet red

Aroma: Elegant vanilla and blackberry fruit

Flavor: Rich and smooth with chocolate and blueberry

The perfect Bordeaux blend is a lot like the perfect s'more: a complete contradiction. It has to be toasty but smooth, fluffy but crunchy, and bold but elegant. Achieving this balance requires drinking a lot of wine: we test scores of different blends to hit the bull's eye.

variety : Merlot | 50% Merlot, 39% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Petit Verdot

winery : Noble Hill Wine Estate

winemaker : Bernard le Roux

wine of origin : Simonsberg-Paarl

analysis : **alc** : 14.2 % vol **rs** : 1.8 g/l **pH** : 3.46 **ta** : 6.4 g/l

type : Red **style** : Dry **body** : Full **wooded**

pack : Bottle **closure** : Cork

Veritas 2009 - Bronze

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in the vineyard : Soil: North-western slopes of the Simonsberg in well-drained duplex soil containing granite

Vines: Planted in 1998

about the harvest: Harvested at 24° Balling with an average yield of 6 tons/ha.

in the cellar : Skin contact: Fermented dry on skins

Oak: 14 months in 30% new medium-toast French

