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Landskroon Merlot 2007

Rich and full-bodied with a delicious flavour of berry fruits supported by a touch of spice gained from aging in French oak barrels.

An ideal accompaniment to red meats and roast chicken. Serve at 16 - 19° C.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot
winery : Landskroon Wines
winemaker : Paul de Villiers
wine of origin : Paarl, Coastal Region
analysis : **alc :** 14.38 % vol **rs :** 3.70 g/l **pH :** 3.44 **ta :** 6.10 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **wooded**
pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

ageing : This wine can be enjoyed now, but will continue to improve for several years.

in the vineyard : **Origin:** Paarl, Coastal Region

Climate: Winter Rainfall approximately 600mm per annum. The estate is situated along the south western slopes of Paarl Mountain at an altitude of between 140 and 250 meters and benefits from cooling summer breezes from the Atlantic Ocean.

Irrigation: Limited irrigation of between 50 and 100mm is applied during drier summers in order to allow for optimum development and ripening of grapes.

Soils: Vary from decomposed granited to well drained sandy loam with gravel underlays.

Coopers: Sylvain

Age of Vines: 6 - 13 years
Clones: MO 192, MO 348A, MO 193
Root stock: R99, R101 - 14
Vines per hectare: 3000
Soil: Sandy loam and decomposed granite
Trellising: Bush vines and cordon trellised
Yield: 7 - 8 tons/hectare

about the harvest: Grapes were harvested at 25° B, destemmed and transferred to open and closed stainless steel fermentation tanks.

