

Bovlei Merlot 2008

Aromas of cherry, plum and chocolate are found on the nose with grassy, minty flavours on the mid-palate. Soft tannins lead to a smooth, long finish. Full bodied wine, wooded. Premium selection.

Serve at room temperature with leg of lamb, quail, duck, oxtongue, cold meats and 'braaivleis'.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Bovlei Cellar (Wellington Wines)

winemaker : Frank Meaker

wine of origin :

analysis : alc : 14.11 % vol rs : 2.2 g/l pH : 3.47 ta : 5.6 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

ageing : The wine is ready to drink now, but with ageing for 2 - 3 years it will develop further in the bottle.

in the vineyard : viticulture

With a slow long ripening period of the 2001 harvesting season excellent cultivar fruit flavours and full, soft tannins were formed.

Vinification

The 7 tons per hectare bush vine grapes were chosen from vineyards high up on the slopes of the Hawekwa Mountains. Overhead irrigation was given only twice.

