

Zevenwacht Merlot 2007

Rich and generous with plush concentrated flavours of plums, chocolate and a combination of red and black cherries. Waves of upfront fresh red fruit and hints of herbs cover the palate from start to finish.

variety : Merlot | Merlot

winery : Zevenwacht Wine Estate

winemaker : Jacques Viljoen

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : **alc** : 14.5 % vol **rs** : 2.9 g/l **pH** : 3.42 **ta** : 6.7 g/l

type : Red **style** : Dry **wooded**

pack : Bottle **closure** : Cork

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in the vineyard : Two very different Zevenwacht vineyards were selected in the Stellenbosch District for this wine. The first site, 300m above sea level on the north facing slopes of the Banhoek area, provides bright and juicy fruit with good acidity, tannic weight and absolute fruit density on the palate. The second vineyard on the South Western slopes of Polkadraai Hills, offers Ribena ripeness, generosity and length on the palate. Although soil types differ between the sites, they all have some form of decomposed granite lying over structured clay subsoil allowing for ample drainage and water retention when required.

in the cellar : 2007 was a cool vintage with the right amount of rainfall at the right time. Berry size was small resulting in dense colouration and high extract in the wine. We used only free-run juice. This selection was aged in 300l barrels one third new, a third second fill and the balance third fill for 14 months.



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