

Bonaire Cabernet Sauvignon / Merlot 2009

This wine displays ripe aromas of blackcurrant, dark plums, red berries and hints of violets. These lively fruity characters are complemented with subtle cedar oak and dark chocolate undertones. On the palate this medium bodied wine exhibits a great balance of ripe fruit character with an elegant, structured and silky finish.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot

winery : Bonaire

winemaker : _

wine of origin : Coastal Region

analysis : alc : 14.25 % vol rs : 2.6 g/l pH : 3.57 ta : 5.9 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

in the vineyard : Terroir: North-facing slopes

Soil: Deep red Hutton

Climate: Moderate with cooling sea breezes from the Atlantic Ocean

Viticulture:

Trellising: 4 wire Perold

Age of vines: 7 - 25 years

Irrigation: Dry-land conditions

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested at optimum phenolic ripeness.

Yield: 12t/ha

in the cellar : The components of this wine were harvested and vinified separately. After destemming, the grapes were transferred to open fermenters and kept at 12 - 14°C for 3 - 5 days to ensure optimum colour and tannin extraction. During fermentation pigeage was done every 4 hours before pressing the wine at 5°Balling. Fermentation was finished in tank, before racking the wine to French Oak barriques where MLF was completed spontaneously and maturation was completed after 12 months.

