

## Golden Vine Merlot 2008

This approachable Merlot with chocolate, dark berries and mulberries on the nose is a deliciously smooth and enticing red wine.

**variety :** Merlot | 100% Merlot

**winery :**

**winemaker :** \_

**wine of origin :**

**analysis :** alc : 14 % vol   rs : 0.5 g/l   pH : 3.6   ta : 5.8 g/l   va : 0.64 g/l   so2 : 100 mg/l   fso2 : 35 mg/l

**type :** Red

**pack :** Bottle   **closure :** Cork

**in the vineyard :** **Soil:** Scali, Alluvial, Hutton, Kroonstad and Clovelly

**Growing Climate / Vintage Conditions:** Cool ocean breeze; nestled in the Helderberg basin; surrounded by the Hottentots Holland mountains over looking False Bay.

**about the harvest:** **Date of Harvest:** Mid-March

**Type of Harvest:** Hand harvest in the cool morning

**in the cellar :** **Method:** Cold maceration for 3 days followed by juice extraction; pump over 3 times daily and punch-down.

**Temperature:** 16 - 28° Celsius

**Length:** 10 - 25 Days on skins

**Malolactic:** In stainless steel tank with wood staves.

