

Yonder Hill Y Merlot 2012

A friendly, soft smooth easy red wine for immediate drinking. It's full of spice, crushed peppercorns with hints of coffee. Try the wine slightly chilled. Why not?

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Yonder Hill

winemaker : _

wine of origin : Western Cape

analysis : **alc** : 14.5 % vol **rs** : 3.5 g/l **pH** : 3.5 **ta** : 5.9 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **closure** : Screwcap

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in the vineyard : This wine is made from three different regions and four different vineyards. The idea is to obtain different flavours and character and balance it out in a bottle.

in the cellar : The style of winemaking can be tasted in the wine, soft, easy, smooth style, with no harsh tannins. The grapes ripened mid season. Fermentation took place in stainless steel tanks with daily pump overs to obtain the colour from the skins. Malolactic fermentation was encouraged whilst on the skins. The pressing of the skins took place three weeks after fermentation. The wines were blended immediately. Only 33% of this wine was wood matured and the balance was stored in upright stainless steel tanks.

Bottled: 28 March 2012

