

Hillcrest Quarry 2009

Plum ruby colour. Offers lots of raspberry & red berry fruit flavours. Elegant with beautiful berry fruit intensity & well integrated oak. Impressive finish which lingers persistently.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Hillcrest Estate

winemaker : .

wine of origin :

analysis : alc : 13.0 % vol rs : 1.6 g/l pH : 3.61 ta : 6.6 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Medium **taste :** Fruity **wooded**

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

4 Stars - John Platter 2012

GOLD - Old Mutual Trophy Wine Show 2011

Silver - Michelangelo Awards 2011

Silver - Veritas 2011

in the vineyard :

SOIL TYPE: Well drained Hutton, Glenrosa & Oakleaf

VINEYARD: North West facing

TRELLIS: Vertical shoot positioning (VSP) with 2 movable wires.

IRRIGATION: Used during berry development

CLONES: M0112 on Richter 110 rootstock

about the harvest: HARVESTED: 19th February and 12 March

in the cellar : 2 nights cold soaking with repeated pump overs to extract max colour.

Fermentation started at 18°C using a commercial yeast for 5 days. Secondary fermentation using selected bacteria was completed before the wine was racked into 225L French oak barrels. 18 months maturity in 100% New 225L French Oak Barrels.