

Hoopenburg Merlot 2011 - Bush Vine

Nose: Abundance of red fruit. Palate: A well rounded wine with soft yet lingering tannins. .

It is great with meat or pasta dishes and delicious with a crab curry.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Hoopenburg Wines

winemaker : Helanie Olivier

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 13.5 % vol rs : 1.7 g/l pH : 3.48 ta : 5.8 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Medium

pack : Bottle **size :** 0 **closure :** Cork

in the vineyard : The grapes for this wine came from the eleven year old bush vines on Hoopenburg's 35 ha farm.

about the harvest:

The grapes were harvested at a modest 24⁰ balling, and then crushed and de-stemmed.

in the cellar : Fermentation lasted sixteen days in stainless steel tanks, pressing occurred on day seventeen, with the wine ageing for twenty months in French Oak barrels (20% new). A minimal filtration was done before being bottled

