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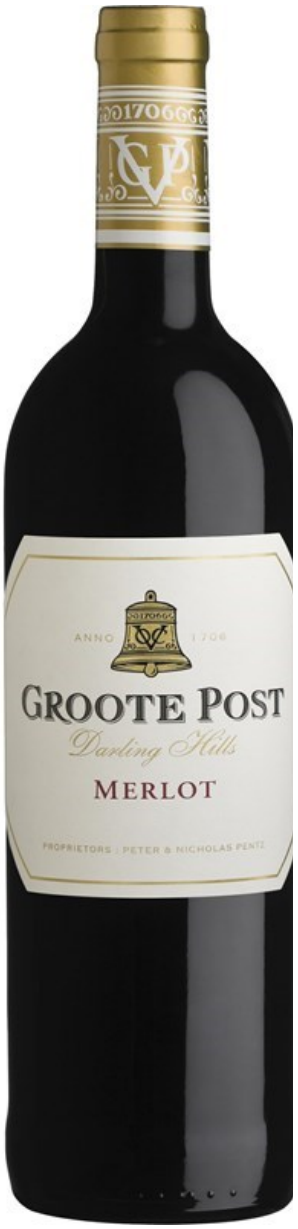
# Groote Post Merlot 2014

Berry and plum flavours are prominent on the nose, supported by a subtle hints of mint, resulting in a wonderful flavour spectrum. A juicy mid palate is supported by soft silky tannins and ageing in oak barrels.




**variety :** Merlot | 100% Merlot
**winery :** Groote Post Vineyards
**winemaker :** Lukas Wentzel
**wine of origin :** Darling
**analysis :** **alc :** 14.5 % vol **rs :** 2.3 g/l **pH :** 3.63 **ta :** 5.3 g/l
**type :** Red **style :** Dry **wooded**
**pack :** Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

2017 Platter's South African Wine Guide - 3½ stars
2016 Old Mutual Trophy Wine Show - Trophy Winner
2016 Platter's South African Wine Guide - 3 stars
2016 Veritas - Bronze
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**in the vineyard :** Vines planted: 2001,2002
Soil: Hutton
Irrigation: Supplementary
Trellising: 5 wire extended moveable perold
Elevation: 200m

**about the harvest:** The crop was thinned to one bunch per shoot. In so doing we achieve even ripening of the fruit and more intense flavours and sof tannins.
Yield: 7t/ha

**in the cellar :** The grapes were carefully selected over the sorting table. The grapes had cold maceration for 2 days in stainless steel tanks and open tanks. The juice was pumped over and the cap punched down three to four times a day. The juice was left on the skins for 14 days after fermentation. Malolactic fermentation and ageing took place in 300L French Oak barrels. 30% new wood, 40% 2nd fill and 30% 3rd fill.

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