

Overgaauw Merlot 1999

Overgaauw Merlot was the first wine of this variety bottled in South Africa. This ruby tinted, rich wine was matured in 2nd fill barrels. A soft structured wood matured red wine with strawberry/raspberry aromas and a rich warm palate complementing the wine. With bottle maturation its velvety character will improve even further. Bottled in September 2000.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Overgaauw Estate

winemaker : Chris Joubert

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 13.5 % vol rs : 1.63 g/l pH : 3.41 ta : 6.58 g/l va : 0.86 g/l so2 : 84 mg/l fso2 : 45 mg/l

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

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

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ageing : The wine will benefit by three years bottle maturation. Ageing potential 5-7 years from vintage.

in the vineyard : Age of the vineyards: 18 Years

about the harvest: Harvest date: February 2000

Yield per hectare: 11 tons

Sugar level at harvest: 25.5° Balling

in the cellar : Length of fermentation: 10-14 days skin contact

Cellar maturation: 15 months in 2nd fill 225 L barrels