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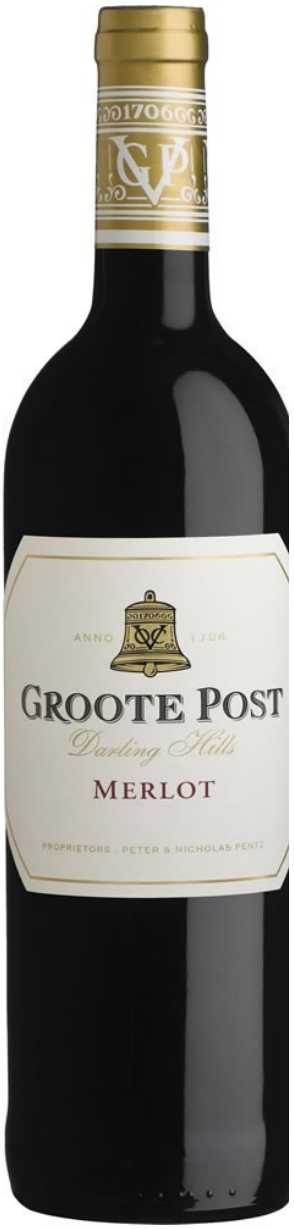
Groote Post Merlot 2015

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

2018 Platter's South African Wine Guide - 3½ stars
2017 Veritas Awards - Gold
2015 Platter's South African Wine Guide - 3 stars



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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