

## Delheim Merlot 2018

Notes of tobacco, dark fruit mainly plum and hints of buchu. A medium bodied and fruit driven style of Merlot, with a subtle structure and silky tannins. Fleshy plums, cigar box and oak undertones with very smooth and silky tannins. Perfect to savour on it's own but also a great companion to a hearty lamb stew.

**variety :** Merlot | 100% Merlot

**winery :** Delheim Wine Estate

**winemaker :** Roelof Lotriet

**wine of origin :** Stellenbosch

**analysis :** alc : 14.5 % vol   rs : 3.4 g/l   pH : 3.44   ta : 5.6 g/l

**type :** Red   **style :** Dry   **body :** Full   **taste :** Herbaceous   **wooded**   **organic**

**pack :** Bottle   **size :** 750ml   **closure :** Cork

**ageing :** This wine will benefit from careful cellaring for 2-4 years from vintage.

**in the vineyard :** Block name(s): Pinetrees, Peperboom and Langry draad

Year planted: 2008, 2002, 1998

Size: 2.51ha, 3.02ha and 4.36ha

Soil: Oakleaf profile, mainly decomposed granite

Slope: South-West facing

Elevation : 260-300m above sea level

**about the harvest:** Grapes were handpicked.

**in the cellar :** Grapes were de-stemmed and crushed. The wine was fermented in Stainless steel tanks with pump-overs done 3time a day. The wine was fermented dry and then pressed. Malolactic fermentation was done partially in barrel and tanks. The wine was then matured in French oak barrels (300L barrels) for a period of 12 months before blending. A light filtration was done before bottling.



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