

## Vergenoegd Cabernet Sauvignon 1999

Intense, deep ruby colour. Spicy mineraly fragrances, attractive cassis, black cherry aromas with hints of mintiness and pepperiness on the nose. Complex well structured, full ripe sweet fruit well integrated with wood with firm lingering aftertaste.

**variety :** Cabernet Sauvignon | Cabernet Sauvignon  
**winery :** Vergenoegd Löw The Wine Estate  
**winemaker :** John Faure  
**wine of origin :** Coastal  
**analysis :** alc : 13.16 % vol   rs : 2.3 g/l   pH : 3.62   ta : 6.7 g/l  
**type :** Red  
**pack :** Bottle   **closure :** Cork

Veritas 2002 - Silver  
1999 Vintage: John Platter - 4.5 stars  
1998 Vintage: John Platter - 4 stars, Wine Magazine - 3 stars  
1997 Vintage: John Platter - 3 stars, Wine Magazine - 3 stars  
1996 Vintage: John Platter - 4 stars, Wine of the Month Club - Winning wine for Cabernet tasting, Veritas Silver Medal, Michelangelo Awards - Silver Medal  
1995 Vintage: John Platter - 4 stars, Veritas Gold Medal, Wine Magazine - 4 stars  
1994 Vintage: Veritas Silver Medal  
1993 Vintage: Veritas Silver Medal  
1992 Vintage: Wine Magazine - 4 stars  
1991 Vintage: Veritas Gold Medal

**ageing :** A well structured wine that traditionally starts off a little tight and closed but has the potential to open up as it matures over the next 10-15 years.

**in the vineyard :** The wine is made from a combination of 10 year old vines and 24 year old vines. The soil is sandy over a deep yellow clay base, restricting yield naturally, thus providing good quality grapes that ripen easily without losing too much of their natural acid. Irrigation is supplied in very dry summers, thus enabling the grapes to ripen easily without placing undue stress on the vines.

**about the harvest:** The grapes were harvested on the 25/03/1999 at 24° Balling.

**in the cellar :** The wine matured for 18 months in 51% French 225l New barrels, 13% American 225l New barrels, 36% 2nd Fill French 225l barrels. A small percentage of Cabernet Franc (13%) has been blended into this wine for complexity and distinctive pepperiness. The wine was bottled on the 01/05/2001.

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