

Vergenoegd Reserve 1999

Veritas 2003 - Bronze

It is a blend in the Bordeaux style using three noble grapes, Cabernet Sauvignon for structure and body, Merlot for fruit and richness and Cabernet Franc for softness. Rich, almost inky appearance, dark russet edge. Wild herb with red berry and plum fruit. Mint and vanilla flavours with hints of coffee and chocolate. Well structured and complex with fruit nicely lifted by oak. Good full bodied with elegant and persistent finish.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc

winery : Vergenoegd Löw The Wine Estate

winemaker : John Faure

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : alc : 13.14 % vol rs : 2.4 g/l pH : 3.59 ta : 6.8 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fragrant

pack : Bottle

1999 Vintage: Veritas 2003 - Bronze, John Platter - 4.5 stars, Veritas 2002 - Bronze

1998 Vintage: John Platter - 4 stars, Wine Magazine - 3 stars

1997 Vintage: John Platter - 3.5 stars, Wine Magazine - 3 stars

1996 Vintage: John Platter - 4 stars, Wine Magazine - 3.5 stars, Veritas - Gold medal

1995 Vintage: John Platter - 4.5 stars, Wine Magazine - 4 stars, Veritas - Gold Medal

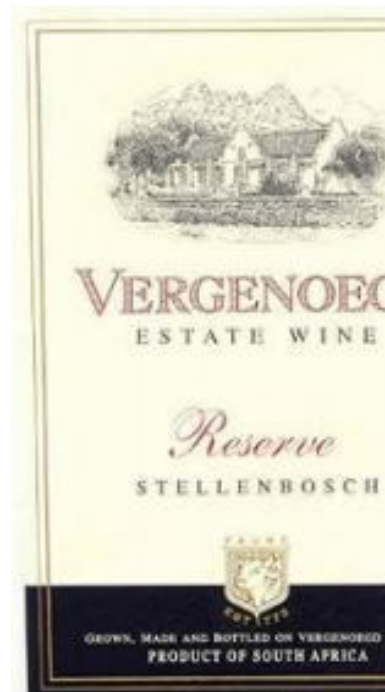
1994 Vintage: John Platter - 4 stars, Wine Magazine - 3 stars, Veritas - Silver Medal

1993 Vintage: John Platter - 4 stars, Veritas - Silver Medal

1992 Vintage: John Platter - 4 stars, Wine Magazine - 4 stars

1991 Vintage: John Platter - Pick of the bunch

1990 Vintage: John Platter - Pick of the bunch, Wine Magazine - 4 stars, Veritas - Double Gold Medal



in the vineyard : The Reserve is Vergenoegd's flagship wine and is a classical Bordeaux blend comprising of Cabernet Sauvignon (for structure & body), Merlot (fruit and richness) and Cabernet Franc (softness) The vines are planted in a mixture of fertile alluvial soils along the banks of the Eerste River and a more marginal sandy soil on a clay and calcareous base. All vineyards can be irrigated to enable the grapes to fully ripen without being under stress. The estates vineyards also benefit from the cooling South Easterly winds blowing from across False Bay a mere 3km from Vergenoegd.

about the harvest: The Cabernet Sauvignon grapes were harvested on the 24/03/1999 at 24.2Å° Balling.

The Merlot grapes were harvested on the 08/03/1999 at 24.8Å° Balling.

The Cabernet Franc grapes were harvested on the 31/03/1999 at 23.8Å° Balling.

in the cellar : The wine underwent maturation for 18 months in 90% New 225 litre French Barrels, 10% New 225 litre Russian Barrels.

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