

Stonecross Merlot Pinotage 2001

A well-balanced wine with good depth of colour and rich plummy/chocolate-cherry and blackberry flavours with a hint of smokeyness. The ripe fruit flavours of the Pinotage are complimented by layers of soft tannins and a full round palate of the Merlot.

variety : Merlot | Merlot, Pinotage

winery : Deetlefs Estate

winemaker : Kobus Deetlefs

wine of origin : Rawsonville

analysis : alc : 13.5 % vol rs : 2.7 g/l ta : 5.8 g/l so2 : 96 mg/l fso2 : 0.21 mg/l

pack : Bottle

Veritas 2002 - Bronze

ageing : A multi-dimensional wine exhibiting excellent ageing potential.

in the vineyard : Trellised vines

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested from the 17 February – 26 February 2001.

in the cellar : Grapes were selectively picked, attention payed to avoid green tannins which are present in ripening stage. Various yeast strains were used, as well as employing different vinification techniques. Use was made of open cement tanks and barrel ageing for a percentage of these wines.

