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Birdfield Merlot Shiraz 2001

Honeywax and almonds with the typical smoky undertone of Shiraz.



variety : Merlot | Merlot, Shiraz
winery :
winemaker : Bob de Villiers
wine of origin : Olifants River
analysis : **alc :** 13.5 % vol **rs :** 3.4 g/l **pH :** 3.7 **ta :** 5.5 g/l **va :** 0.64 g/l **so2 :** 102 mg/l **fso2 :** 42 mg/l
type : Red

in the vineyard : Area planted: 3.1 ha
Age of vines: 6 years
Rootstock: Richter 99
Trellis system: Perold
Irrigation: Drip
Vine density: 1,5 X 2.7m
Soil: Karoo
Climate: Hot days and cold nights

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested by hand on the 5/02/2001
Yield: 10 tons/ha

in the cellar : Crushing/Destemming: Yes
Tanks (type): Open Fermenters
Fermentation protocol (vessel, temp, duration): 7 days
Malolactic (y/n): Yes
Lees contact/battonage: Yes
Barrel ageing (oak type, % of blend, duration): Yes, French(70%) and American oak(30%)
Fining: Egg White
Filtration: Cross Flow
Stabilisation: Yes