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Devon Hill Bluebird 2002

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A complex wine with liquorice, meaty and plummy flavours and whiffs of white pepper. This is a full wine with ripe tannins.

Delicious with roast chicken, juicy steaks, stews, fondue and venison.



variety : Merlot | 50% Merlot, 30% Pinotage, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon
winery : Devon Hill Winery
winemaker : Theo Brink
wine of origin : Devon Valley
analysis : **alc :** 13.5 % vol **rs :** 2.1 g/l **pH :** 3.5 **ta :** 5.8 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **wooded**
pack : Bottle

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in the vineyard : As the Valley lies less than 20 km from the False Bay coast, it is greatly affected by the cool south sea breezes, which prevail in the summer months. Winter brings on the moisture-laden northwest winds, which result in most of the Valleyâ€™s 750 mm of annual rainfall.
Soil: Deep red, decomposed Granite soil
Trellising: Hedged (Perold system)

about the harvest: Yield: Average six tons / ha

in the cellar : Hand selected grapes were harvested on an average of 25Â°B. Fermentation took place at 25 â€“ 28Â°C with frequent pump-overs until dry. After malolactic fermentation the wine had two rackings before it was matured in new 300-litre French oak barrels for 12 months.
It was then blended and bottled.