

Groot Constantia Gouverneurs Merlot 2001

Sold Out

Veritas 2004 - Gold

Michelangelo International Wine Awards 2004 - Silver

International Wine & Spirit Competition 2004 - Silver

Fairbairn Capital Trophy Wine Show 2004 - Bronze

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Diners Young Winemaker of the Year Award 2002

Inky black in colour a very dense wine, with big tannins and structure for a Merlot. Prominent fruity aromas with chocolate mocha flavours with hints of coffee. It has ripe black cherries and plum aromas, which carry through to the palate and are enhanced by oak and cigar box flavours from 18 months in wood. It has a complex lingering aftertaste. The wine has not been stabilized or filtered.

Rare roast sirloin with horseradish cream, rump steak with garlic butter, butterflied leg of lamb basted with rosemary and garlic.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Groot Constantia Estate

winemaker : Boela Gerber

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : alc : 14.56 % vol rs : 2.1 g/l pH : 3.55 ta : 5.6 g/l

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

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in the vineyard : Climate: Mediterranean - Wonderful cool breezes coming from the Atlantic Ocean. With an average rainfall of 1100mm per annum.

Soil type: Hutton

about the harvest: The grapes were picked at 26.6°Balling.

in the cellar : 14 days on the skins open tank pump over, malolactic fermentation. French Oak barrels used, twice racked during maturation and placed in the same barrel. Matured for 18 months, light egg white fining before bottling. Wine is unfiltered.

