


MERLOT, GUARDIAN PEAK

Vintage

2017



Guardian Peak's Merlot comes from a range of climates, from Mediterranean in Stellenbosch to more arid coastal regions, each giving unique characteristics.

TASTING NOTE

The red fruit and herbaceous aromas excite the nose on first impression, followed by secondary aromas of tobacco, fresh cherries and slight hint of leather. The fresh, ripe red fruit flavours of strawberries and redcurrants are supported by soft, discreet tannins which create a well-balanced, elegant Merlot with a round, juicy finish.

VINIFICATION DETAILS

The wine was fermented in a combination of open (punch down) and closed fermentors (pump over). Maturation occurred in second- and third- fill 300 litre French oak barrels for 6 months.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol	Residual sugar
14.3	4.9
pH	Acidity
3.57	5.7

ATTRIBUTES

 Origin South Africa	 Variety Merlot	 Malolactic Fermentation Yes	 Bottle Size 75cl	 Vegetarian Yes
 Winemaker Roelof Lotriet	 Fining Agent None	 Closure Screw top	 Region Western Cape	 Vegan Yes