



WHALEHAVEN

HERMANUS • SOUTH AFRICA



MERLOT 2015

DESCRIPTION

A powerful complex Merlot, deep red in colour with aromas of youngberry, lavender and cloves. A multi-layered and ever-changing mid-palate with dark fruits of the forest and red currant flavours. A complex and vibrant wine that will reward cellaring.

VARIETIES

100% Merlot

ORIGIN

Wine of Origin Coastal Region

VINIFICATION

Following two days of cold maceration on skins, fermentation was completed reaching temperatures of between 25 °C - 28 °C.

Malo-lactic took place in stainless steel tanks with French oak staves.

The wine was then matured for approximately 14 months in small French oak barrels, 33% in 1st new oak and 67% in 2nd and 3rd fill.

DATE OF BOTTLING

1st February 2017

ANALYSIS

pH 3.67

Total acidity 5.0g/L

Residual sugar 2.2g/L

Alcohol 14.5%