# Maisons Marques & Domaines





Meerlust Estate

# Red

Stellenbosch, South Africa Vintage: 2019

# Overview

Meerlust Estate has been part of the Myburgh family tradition for eight generations, dating back to 1693. Long recognized for producing world-class wines, the Meerlust Estate is singularly rich in charm and history. Meerlust produces wines that are true to the intrinsic character of their vineyards located in the Stellenbosch region. The diverse soils, the unique coastal climate and over 300 years of dedication are all essential components of Meerlust's complex, rich and truly distinctive wines.

# Winemaking

The grapes were fermented separately before undergoing malolactic fermentation in new and seasoned oak, before selection, blending and bottling. The 2019 Meerlust Red was barrel aged for 17 months in 46% 1st fill French Oak, 45% second fill and 9% 3rd fill.

# Tasting Notes

The wine has an intense, dark purple color with a violet rim. Bright and vivacious in the glass, very youthful. The nose is expressive with powerful cassis, plum, exotic spice and hints of floral aromas. On the palate the wine is medium bodied with intense flavors of crushed black fruit, cassis, vanilla and dark chocolate. The tannins are very soft and silky with fresh acidity and a focused, linear flavour profile. The wine has a persistent and long lasting aftertaste.

### Harvest Notes

The vineyards were green-harvested during veraison to reduce yield and increase concentration, tannin ripeness and fruit definition.

### Food Pairing

Complements venison, game, pot roast, and noble cheese. Best served between 64°F and 68°F.

# TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Varietals: 43% Caberbet Sauvignon, 31% Merlot, 21% Cabernet Franc, 5% Petit Verdot

Wine Alcohol: 14%

pH: 3.61