

KEN
FORRESTER
VINEYARDS
GRANTED 1689
PAST VINTAGES

Merlot Reserve Pat's Garden 2015

CSPC# 790308

750mlx12

14.5% alc./vol.

Chemical Analysis	Acidity: 6.20 g/l	pH: 3.52	Residual Sugar: 2.1 g/l
Grape Variety	95% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc		
Winemaker	Ken Forrester		
Info	The Reserve Range. Here we are solely responsible for the cultivation of the vines and selection of the fruit, mostly from our family property in Stellenbosch, just 4 miles from the cool Atlantic and in the sheltered lee of the majestic Helderberg mountain.		
Vineyards	Region: Stellenbosch, Elim, and Darling. Situated on the slopes of the Helderberg Mountain, in the heart of South Africa's most famous wine region Stellenbosch, our vineyards are commonly referred to as the Home of Chenin Blanc and other premium award-winning wines. The farm is 40 hectares and roughly 36 hectares of that is under vine. The following grape varieties are on the farm; Chenin Blanc, Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Shiraz, Merlot, Grenache, Mourvedre, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot. Region: Stellenbosch. Soil: Duplex with some clay – Kroonstad Aspect: south, south-west		
Harvest	Hand harvested in individual parcels and selected for quality to get the ripest possible, balanced Merlot from our very finest soils, influenced by the cool S/E wind during the ripening season. Yield: 8 tons per hectare		
Vinification	The wine was matured in selected French oak barrels for 12 months and blended with a small fraction of Cabernet Franc for structure and complexity prior to bottling.		
Tasting Notes	Hints of cherries and mint with meat-spice and smoky undertones. Softly rounded and accessible wine with balanced tannins for early drinking.		
Serve with	Serve with meat dishes, grills, and roast lamb.		
Scores/Awards	3.5* stars - Fiona McDonald, John Platter's Guide to South African Wines, 2018		
Reviews	<i>"Previewed 2015 offers fynbos nuance to succulent mulberry & cocoa typicity; light bodied & easy."</i> - FMcD, John Platter's Guide to South African Wines		



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Reviews	<i>"Quite richly rounded after year in French oak, 2014 has 5% cab franc adding structure & subtle spearmint freshness to ripe plum & black cherry fruit."</i> - JG, <i>John Platter's Guide to South African Wines</i>		

