

2009 Cabernet Merlot

- Appellation:** VQA Niagara Peninsula
Varietal: 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Merlot
Alcohol Percent: 13.0 %
LCBO Sugar Code: 0
Residual Sugar g/L: 4.69 g/L
Brix at Harvest: 21.5 °Bx
Total Acid g/L: 4.81 g/L
Cases Produced: 1589
Drinking Through: Now - 2014
Oak Treatment: 12 months in barrels
Service Temp.: 16 - 18 °C
Bottle Size(s): 750ml
Decanting: 30 minutes (with vigor)

Description: Although the growing season of 2009 denied the grapes a bounty of sunshine the 2009 Cabernet Merlot would not be denied its place in the sun. This is the little wine that could. Nature gave the grapes for this vintage an herbaceous quality so we embraced, harnessed and moulded those characteristics into an expression that harkens across the Atlantic to herbs Provençal. Earthy savoury, thyme and lavender dominate the nose while rich underpinnings of crushed red berries round it out. On the palate this wine is focussed and the tannins deliver a structure that is just crying out for grilled meats and hearty fare.



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