

Bein Wine Cellar

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WO; Stellenbosch

Family run vineyard and winery, specialising in only Merlot, small and very friendly, with cosy tasting room.

Vintage Score best drinking

Merlot Pink Rosé

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	2009	85	2009-2012
2011: ultra dry and expressively fruity; all strawberries and dusty fruit with a serious spicy grip. Delicious chilled.	2011	85	2011-2014
2017: deep cherry hue, sweet nose and dry strawberry fruited palate with hint of muscat perfume.	2017	84	2017-2023
2018: cherry red, bright, very ripe nose with strawberry fruit viscosity, nicely dry and crunchy palate, not overly zesty.	2018	86	2018-2025

Little Merlot

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	2008	85	2008-2013
2012: an easier style, mid depth, mid weight and lighter if a touch raw from youth.	2012	85	2012-2016
2017: mid depth, earthy cherry notes and strong, mildly tannic body, finishing briefly.	2017	87	2017-2026

Bein Merlot

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	2007	88	2007-2014
2009: woody nose with heavy dark berry notes then dry, grippy tannins and spicy, chunky fruit. Still young with lots of promise.	2009	88	2009-2015
2015: deep, brooding nose, rich and round feel, full expression of dark cherry and prune notes, balanced, complex and very good indeed.	2015	93	2016-2027

2016: toasted oak mocha nose, expressive berry fruit with structure, polished and opening nicely, bright and forward and quite lovely.

2016 91 2017-2028

Merlot Reserve

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2010: real character, not overly big, yet with enough fruit, new oak and ripe tannins for a long and special life.

2010 92 2012-2020

2016: overt nose, perfumed and exotic, with rich and juicy blue fruit complexity and structure.

2016 93 2017-2025

Merlot Forte 375ml

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2016: opaque ruby with a full and weighty nose, deeply ripe fruited with raisins and dark fruits, not too extracted or lean but balanced and stylish.

2016 92 2018-2028