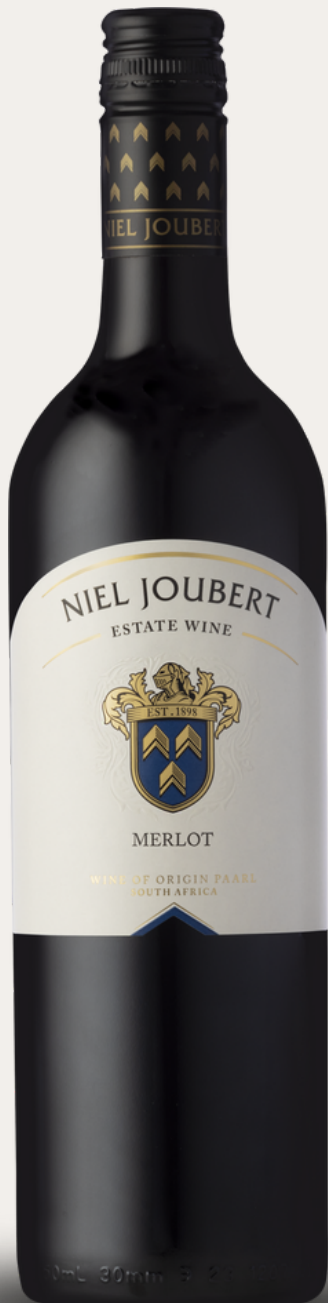


# NIEL JOUBERT

ESTATE WINES



Merlot 2021



### **Grape Variety**

100% Merlot

### **Wine of Origin**

Paarl

### **Winemaking**

After de-stalking and crushing, the juice was fermented in stainless steel tanks, with regular punch downs of the skins to ensure optimal colour extraction. 10% of the final blend was matured in a combination of older French and Hungarian oak barrels for 18 months.

### **Tasting Notes**

This wine has a rich purple-red colour, and its nose is filled with enticing aromas of tomato stew, ripe plums, raspberries, all-spice and a hint of dark chocolate. The entry on the palate is smooth, with a silky tannin structure and a plush red fruit core. The balanced acidity acts as the perfect foil for the fruit spectrum and carries the wine all the way to the finish, ending with lingering flavours of crunchy red currants and ripe plums.

### **Food Pairings**

Tomato-based pastas / pizza / beef burgers / roasted chicken & turkey / duck with plum sauce / veal / charcuterie / roasted vegetables

Alcohol - 14.0%  
Residual Sugar - 2.1 g/l  
Total Acidity - 5.2 g/l  
pH - 3.64



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