

Geoff Merrill

2006

Merlot

WICKHAM PARK

McLaren Vale

WINEMAKERS NOTES

The colour is a deep brick red with crimson hues. The aroma is a complex blend of red currant, mulberry, Coffee and cinnamon with some earthy and meaty notes. At least 18 months in American and French oak hogsheads had added a subtle cashew nut and cedar bouquet with a hint of vanilla. The mid palate is fleshy and full, enhanced by fine velvety fruit and oak tannins providing excellent structure without getting in the way of the smooth fruity mouth feel. Overall the wine is very well balanced and will accompany a wide range of cuisines.

VINTAGE INFORMATION

The 2006 Vintage overall was quite good. It was set up well early on with good winter and spring rains. This provided good grapevine canopies ideal for quality ripening. The weather dried up at the right time, and warmed up considerably bringing many varieties to ripeness almost simultaneously resulting in a very hectic few weeks!

WINEMAKERS

Geoff Merrill & Scott Heidrich

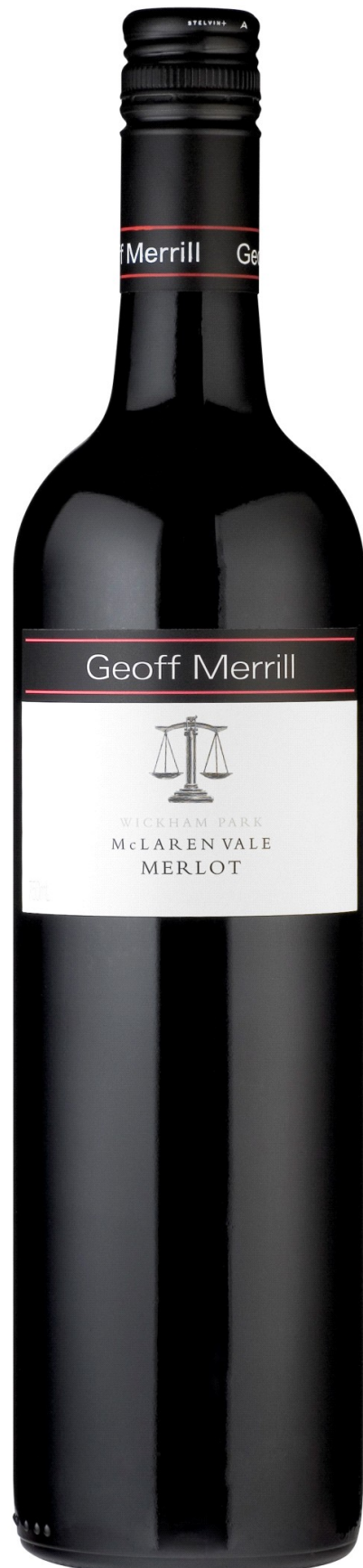
TECHNICAL DETAILS

Variety Merlot

Growing Region McLaren Vale

Harvest date March 2006

14.5% alc, pH: 3.37 TA: 6.70 g/L RS: 1.6 g/L





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