

## 2009 Merlot Tasting Notes

Vintage: 2009

**Variety:** Merlot

**Region:** Lower Hunter Valley, NSW Australia

**Vintage Conditions:** A wet 2008 gave an even and fruitful budburst for Vintage 2009.

Mild weather over the start of summer saw ideal ripening

conditions which enabled a greater retention of flavour. Heatwave conditions in January 2009 somewhat reduced yields and hastened berry ripening. Accordingly, the harvested fruit was clean, ripe and

flavoursome.

	Table Wine	Sparkling Merlot
Colour:	Deep red with purple hues	Deep red with purple hues
Nose:	Blackcurrant, red berry and	Blackcurrant and red fruits hints of Cedar and Cigar box
Palate:	A medium bodied wine exhibiting Cassis and berry flavours	Medium bodied wine with smooth and creamy palate enveloped in fine-grained, elegant tannins
Food Suggestions:	Beef, Lamb dishes	Game meat, white meats Asian food with curry spices Cake and Canapés Pre-dinner aperitif, in lieu of white wine
Carton Quantity:	12 bottles	6 bottles

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