



STONECROSS MERLOT/PINOTAGE 2006



Stonecross is a range of distinctive wines from Deetlefs Wine Estate, combining an excellent product at an exceptionally keen price.

Deetlefs Wine Estate is the 4th oldest wine estate owned by the same family in South Africa (1822). Deetlefs offers a selective range of wines that cover all spectrums of the market from the medium to top-end.

Vineyard:	<u>Merlot</u> 60%	<u>Pinotage</u> 40%
Rootstock	: 101-14/8-7	101-14
Clone	: MO12/181	P148A
Plant Date	: 1998	1995
Hectares	: 6 ha	10 ha
Average Ton / Ha	: 12 t/ha	20 t/ha
Trellising System	: 4-wire vertical Perold	4-wire vertical Perold
Irrigation System	: Drip	Drip & Micro
Height above sea level	: 238	236
Direction	: N/S	N/S
Harvest date:	14 February – 24 February 2006	
Producer:	Deetlefs Wine Estate	
Winemaker:	Ilse van Dijk	
Viticulturist:	Philip du Toit	
Area of origin:	Breedekloof	
Vinification:	Grapes were selectively hand picked to ensure ripe fruit tannins and good structure. Various yeast strains and vinification techniques were used to complete the picture.	
Analysis:	Alc. : 14.5%	RS : 2.3 g/L
	TA : 6.0 g/L	VS02 : 34 mg/L
	pH : 3.49	TS02 : 86 mg/L
Tasting notes:	The fine tannins and chocolate flavours of the Merlot compliments the ripe cherry fruits of the Pinotage.	
Food Pairing:	Cottage Pie, Chicken in red wine, Vegetarian pasta	
Maturation:	2 – 3 years	
Pack size per case:	6	Pack size per bottle: 750ml
Cellar price per case:	R270.00	Cellar price per bottle: R45.00