



MOUNT RILEY
MARLBOROUGH WINEMAKERS

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MOUNT RILEY MERLOT MALBEC 2006

WINEMAKERS NOTES:

The grapes for this wine were grown in Marlborough. The Merlot is sourced from two vineyards, one in the heart of the Wairau Valley and one in Seventeen Valley. The grapes were harvested in excellent condition and the dry season allowed them to fully mature.

This wine is a blend of 86% Merlot and 14% Malbec. The wine was fermented on skins and carefully pumped over to facilitate colour and flavour extraction. The wine was oak aged for 13 months in new and seasoned American and French barriques before blending.

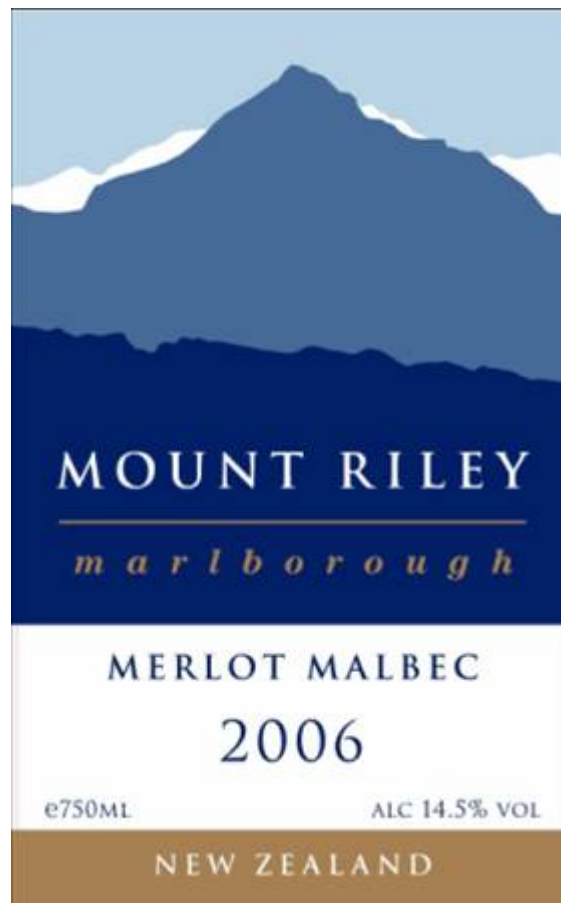
TASTING NOTES:

Colour Deep red intensity with purple hues.

Bouquet Aromas of mulberries, red fruit and chocolate are evident on the nose. Enticing, warm and rich and a subtle hint of oak for extra complexity.

Palate Full flavoured berries and plum on the palate. Concentrated rich wine with good balance & intensity. Soft & smooth wine with a fine grain tannin finish.

Drink A delicious warming winter wine, excellent matched with lamb, beef and game. Drinking well now or cellar until 2012.



TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Grape varieties: 86% Merlot, 14% Malbec

Origin: Marlborough, NZ

Alcohol: 14.5%

RS: 3.5 g/l

Bottles per case: 12

Closure: Screwcap

Bottle Barcode: 9419663017033

Carton Barcode: 19419663017030