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MERLOT



Internationale Weinprämierung Zürich (IWPZ)

2008 Craneford Merlot Basket Pressed

Cateryory: Red Wine 4 g/l Residual

Country/Region: Australia, Australia

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Producer: Craneford

Diploma: Silver-Diploma, Points 86.8

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Merlot and Bordeaux Varietals

3 STARS -2008 Craneford Barossa Valley Merlot

2010 Australian Wine Companion

James Halliday

Merlot 2007

**Bright crimson; attractive redcurrant fruit runs through the long palate,
which has a particularly well balanced finish.**

Cork

Alc; 13.5%

Rating; 91

Drink; 2017

Price; \$30.50

Date Tasted; February 09

2010 Cathay pacific Kong Kong International Wine and Spirit Competition

BRONZE MEDAL- 2007 Craneford Merlot



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Wine Style Asia Awards 2009

SILVER MEDAL – 2007 Craneford Merlot



2007 Australian Wine Companion

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John Zilm Barossa Valley Merlot 2004

Strong colour; medium to full- bodied; generous cassis/plum fruit, supple and smooth, but alcohol takes away from the varietal profile. So maybe the addition of a little cabernet and petit verdot.

Scew cap

Alc; 15%

Rating; 92

Drink; 2012

Release Price; \$35.00

Date Tasted; March 06

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2004 Craneford Merlot

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| Wine Advocate #161 October 2005 | Robert Parker | 92 | Drink 2005- 2011 | \$25-\$28 (30) |
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I continue to be shocked by encounters with top-flight Merlot from Australia (it doesn't happen that often). Craneford's 2004 Merlot, a knock-out effort from the Barossa that spent 16 months in French oak, exhibits a dark ruby/purple color in addition to rich aromas of berry fruit, roasted coffee, chocolate and subtle herbs. This fleshy, voluptuously-textured, hedonistic Merlot will provide immense pleasure over the next 5-6 years.

2007 Australian Wine Companion

James Halliday

John Zilm Barossa Valley Merlot 2002

The cool vintage is to the advantage of the variety; olive, black currant and spice; long, fine palate and finish.

Cork

Alc; 14.5%

Rating; 92

Drink; 2012

Release Price; \$45.00

Date Tasted; March 06

2002 Craneford Merlot

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| WineAdvocate#148 August 2003 | Robert Parker | 95 | Drink2003- 2013 | \$25 (25) |
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Surprise, surprise, the 2002 merlot is knock-out stuff. It's opaque purple colour is accompanied by juicy aromas of roasted coffee, chocolate, berries, and toasty oak, supple tannin, large corpulent flavours, and well-integrated acidity. It should drink well for 7-10 years.

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