



# No. 99

WAYNE GRETZKY ESTATES

## 2007 MERLOT

**Best In Class: Royal Winter Fair Wine Competition**

**Bronze Medal: InterVin International Wine Awards 2009**

**Tony Aspler (WinerytoHome.com): Very Good**

*"Deep purple-ruby; plum and blueberry nose with a lick of vanilla oak and a cedar note; medium-bodied, well structured with a spicy, floral note; good length with a tannic lift on the finish." -- Tony Aspler (June 29, 2009)*

### Winemaker's Notes

Estate No.99 Merlot from the 2007 vintage presents a fruit-forward style highlighted by aromas of blackberry and cherry. The rich, rounded palate and moderate tannins frame ripe berry fruit, finishing with mocha and oak spice. Drinking well upon release this wine will evolve further in bottle over the next 2-3 years.

**Food Pairings:** Matches well with mild curries, pork tenderloin, souvlaki, chili or stew.

### Wayne Gretzky Foundation

A portion of proceeds from the Wayne Gretzky Estates Winery is donated to the foundation each year. To date, the Wayne Gretzky Foundation has raised over \$1-million dollars in support of youth in hockey.

Founded in 2002, the Wayne Gretzky Foundation's mission is to provide less fortunate youth with the opportunity to experience the sport of hockey. This goal will be accomplished through the donation of hockey equipment and ice time, as well as providing the opportunity for young people to attend professional hockey games. The Wayne Gretzky Foundation believes that hockey instills many positive life skills and contributes to the physical, emotional and social growth of young people.



**Varietal Composition:** 100% Merlot

**Designation:** VQA Niagara Peninsula

**Total Acidity:** 6.48g/L

**pH:** 3.55

**Alcohol:** 13.0%

**Residual Sugar:** dry (0)

**Fermentation & Ageing:** Aged for an average of 8 months using predominantly American oak.

**Bottling:** 16897 cases, July 2008

**Size:** 750mL

**Closure:** Cork

**Released:**

**CSPC #:** 728962

**Retail:** \$15.95 **Licensee:** \$12.84

Available at the WGE Retail Store, Online & LCBO