

Optimiste Petit Verdot 2006

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Yes, well we could all do with a good dose of optimism I think. And smelling Petit Verdot always makes me a little more cheerful.

Crushed summer berries, some of those nobbly blue licorice allsorts, violets and dried herbs with a touch of woody tobacco oak - lovely smelling wine. Then medium bodied and fresh with berry and aniseed flavours - not especially deep or concentrated but bright and charming. There's a good lick of raspy tannin too, and like an over-friendly dog they bite down a little hard on the finish, but all in all it's a lovable and highly enjoyable wine.

Rated : 89 Points
Tasted : Dec08
Alcohol : 14.5%
Closure : Screwcap
Drink : 2009 - 2012

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