

## Backsberg Merlot 2005

Pungent aromas of raspberry and red plums are tempered by the deft use of French oak maturation. The palate is redolent with succulent, sweet fruit flavours and finely coated in ripe mouth filling tannins. Smokey and savoury oak characters provide a subtle background to this complex and well balanced Merlot.

Goes very well with dishes such as duck, lamb, sirloin steak and pastas. Also a great accompaniment to chocolate and mint desserts.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot  
winery : Backsberg Estate Cellars  
winemaker : Alicia Rechner  
wine of origin : Coastal  
analysis : alc : 15.0 % vol rs : 1.72 g/l pH : 3.66 ta : 5.86 g/l  
type : Red wooded  
pack : Bottle

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ageing : Can keep up to 5-7 years.

in the cellar : Oaked: 12 months

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