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Raka Spliced 2006



2008 Veritas Awards - Bronze Awards
Dark plum in colour. Rich dark berry aromas, incredible fruit concentration, with hints of caramel on the nose. Easy drinking wine smoky tobacco on the pallet.

variety : Merlot | 63% Merlot, 23% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Ruby Cabernet
winery : Raka Wines
winemaker : Josef Dreyer
wine of origin : Coastal
analysis : **alc :** 14.0 % vol **rs :** 2.6 g/l **pH :** 3.8 **ta :** 5.8 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **wooded**
pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

Best Value: 2009
John Platter 2009: 3½ Stars
Veritas 2008: Bronze

in the vineyard :
Western Cape 15% Klein river Ward 85%

about the harvest:
All grapes were hand picked and hand sorted in the vineyards before a pure yeast culture was inoculated.

in the cellar : The juice was pumped over the skins 3-5 times per day for 5 days. Once fermentation was complete, the wine was drained of the primary lees and transferred to a resting tank. Malolactic fermentation and a brief settling period preceded the wine to a combination of 225 liter barrels of French oak types. 85% of the wine spent 12 months is barrel before bottling and labeling.