

DeWaal Merlot 2008

Ripe berry flavours with a hint of mint. A rich and full bodied Merlot, ready to be enjoyed.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : De Waal Wines

winemaker : Daniel de Waal

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 14.0 % vol rs : 2.6 g/l pH : 3.59 ta : 5.1 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity **wooded**

pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

Uiterwyk Wine Estate was one of the first producers of Merlot in South Africa. The 1984 was the maiden vintage and was considered such good quality that it was chosen to be served to the first class passengers of South African Airways in 1986.

ageing : 8 years

in the vineyard : Location of vineyard: Lower down on the south facing slopes

Soil type: Gravel & clay

Age of vineyards planted: 25 years

Rootstock: R99

Method of trellising: 3-wire hedge

about the harvest: Harvest date: 25 March 2008

Sugar level at harvest: 25.5° Balling

Yield per hectare: 7.3 tons/ha

in the cellar : 40% New French oak 60% second French oak for 12 months

