

Ernie Els Merlot 2009

The beauty of this exceptional 2009 vintage immediately shows in the bright purple colour and shimmering edge. Notes of cherries, plums and raspberries line a lively nose, following through to a full but spritely and elegant palate. There is an enduring combination of subtly and power with the rich ripeness balancing silky tannins and a lushes texture. This suave merlot is difficult to put down, even at this embryonic stage!

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Ernie Els Wines

winemaker : Louis Strydom

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : **alc** : 14.55 % vol **rs** : 3.1 g/l **pH** : 3.7 **ta** : 6.4 g/l **va** : 0.57 g/l **so2** : 81 mg/l **fso2** : 32 mg/l

type : Red **body** : Soft **wooded**

pack : Bottle **size** : 0 **closure** : Cork

Wine Enthusiast magazine (USA)- 90 Points

ageing : Expect the finely-etched tannins to ease with time and become even softer and more stylish.

