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Swartland Merlot 2010

Intense ruby red colour. Inviting raspberry and other ripe red berry flavours on the nose. The palate is well balanced with lots of fruit flavours. Medium bodied with a lingering aftertaste.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot
winery : Swartland Winery
winemaker : Andries Blake
wine of origin : Coastal
analysis : **alc :** 14 % vol **rs :** 2.9 g/l **pH :** 3.56 **ta :** 5.79 g/l **va :** 0.59 g/l **so2 :** 77 mg/l **fso2 :** 31 mg/l
type : Red **style :** Very Dry **body :** Full
pack : Bottle **closure :** Screwcap

ageing : ± 5 years

in the vineyard : Soil: Grown on selected patches of deep red soils with good moist retention possibilities to ripen the grapes without any stress on the vines.
Cliamte: The Swartland falls within the coastal winter rainfall area. Warm, dry summers, moderated by cool Atlantic breezes.
Annual rainfall: 400mm average.

about the harvest: All the grapes are from bush vines with no irrigation, harvested between 22-24º Balling.

