

## DeWaal Merlot 2009

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 : 14.5 % vol rs : 2.5 g/l pH : 3.68 ta : 4.7 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 :** 8-10 years

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

Soil type: Gravel & loam

Age of vineyards planted: 26 years

Rootstock: R99

Method of trellising: 3-wire hedge

**about the harvest:** Harvest date: 15 March 2009

Sugar level at harvest: 25° Balling

Yield per hectare: 8.1 tons/ha

**in the cellar :** Cellar Maturation: 12 months 225-litre French barriques (40% new, 60% second fill)

Bottling Date: January 2010

