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Zevenwacht Merlot 2009

Rich and generous with plush concentrated flavours of plums, chocolate and a combination of red and black cherries. Waves of up front ripe red fruit, ripe strawberries with hints of red cherries that cover the palate from start to finish.



variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot
winery : Zevenwacht Wine Estate
winemaker : Jacques Viljoen
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 14.5 % vol **rs :** 2.6 g/l **pH :** 3.65 **ta :** 6.2 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **wooded**
pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

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in the vineyard : Two very different vineyards in Stellenbosch supplied the fruit for this wine. The first site, 300m above sea level on the north facing slopes of the Banhoek area, provides bright and juicy fruit with good acidity, tannic weight and absolute fruit density on the palate. The second vineyard on the South Western slopes of Polkadraai Hills, offers Ribena Ripeness, Generosity and length on the palate. Although soil types differ between the site, they all have some form of decomposed granite lying over structured clay subsoil allowing for ample drainage and water retention when required.

in the cellar : 2009 was a repeat of the 2007 vintage. The 2009 season was cool and moderate, once again this allowed for beautiful, ripe red fruit with awesome tannin ripeness. Berry size was small resulting in dense colouration and high extract in the wine. We used only free-run wine. This selection was aged in 300L barrels one third new, a third second fill and the balance third fill for 15 months. An amazing wine year!

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