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Graham Beck Merlot 2009

Fresh red berries, black plums, violets and fruitcake spiciness on the nose. Ripe berry fruits and plum-pudding fruit, spice and cedar oak flavours on the palate with elegant ripe tannins on the finish.

Excellent with light pastas, hearty stews, roast chicken or lamb.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot
winery : House of Graham Beck
winemaker : Pieter Ferreira
wine of origin : Coastal
analysis : **alc :** 14.3 % vol **rs :** 4.07 g/l **pH :** 3.5 **ta :** 5.87 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **wooded**
pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork



in the vineyard : Selected Merlot vineyards from the Franschhoek estate planted on deep sloping Table Mountain Sandstone and from the Stellenbosch estate planted on decomposed granite soils.

about the harvest: Handpicked at optimum ripeness at 25 – 26 °B in the last week of February from our Franschhoek vineyards and the second week of March from our Stellenbosch vineyard.

in the cellar : Hand harvested with cold maceration prior to fermentation. Aerated pump overs with extended maceration after the alcoholic fermentation is completed. Barrel maturation for 14 months in 1st, 2nd and 3rd fill French Oak from selected coopers. Gentle handling ensures concentration of upfront Merlot fruit flavours and soft extraction.

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