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Swartland Idelia 2008



Appearance: An intense wine, brick red with orange rim gives an indication of an older wine. Clear and bright.
Nose: A complex and forthcoming nose with earthy aromas of forest floor, lively black berry fruit, sweet smelling violets and wine gums.
Palate: This is a complex wine with sweet smelling flower aromas, spices and vanilla backed by lively berry fruit. A full, rich and voluptuous wine with firm, but well-integrated tannins, beautiful oak integration and an excellent balance between fruit, tannin and wood. Long aftertaste.

Enjoy with a handmade Italian pasta or roasted lamb made in the same way this wine was created, with love and uttermost care.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinotage, Merlot, Shiraz
winery : Swartland Winery
winemaker : Andries Blake
wine of origin : Swartland
analysis : **alc :** 15.01 % vol **rs :** 3.8 g/l **pH :** 3.57 **ta :** 6.4 g/l **va :** 0.77 g/l **so2 :** 66 mg/l **fso2 :** 13 mg/l
type : Red **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

Concours Mondial, Brussel 2005 - Silver
WINE Magazine SA 2006 - 3 Stars

ageing : Drink now.

in the vineyard : Dry land vines. Warm, dry summers and cold, wet winters.

in the cellar : Oak: 11 of the best barrels from the 2008 vintage in the barrel maturation cellar were selected. These wines mature for 18 months in mostly new oak, with a bit of older barrels for softness and suppleness. The selected barrels were blended together, bottled after a short settling time and bottle aged for another 18 months. This wine was not filtered, only gently racked.

Post Blending Treatment: The final product is a result of only the highest quality wines blended together, with each component bringing its own character to the final wine.