

## Leopards Leap Merlot 2012

**Wine Style:** A medium-bodied, dark fruit-driven wine made in a New World style.

**Nose:** Prominent dark fruit aromas with hints of ripe cherries and prune underlined by whiffs of dark chocolate and mocha.

**Palate:** Rich and well-structured with ripe tannins that culminates in a memorable after-taste that lingers.

Enjoy this Merlot with beef brisket and beef silver side, the complexity of the wine enables it to be served with rich, hearty red meat dishes. For a vegetarian option, serve with Moussaka.

**variety :** Merlot | 100% Merlot

**winery :** Leopards Leap Family Vineyards

**winemaker :** Eugene van Zyl

**wine of origin :** Swartland

**analysis :** alc : 13.5 % vol    rs : 3.4 g/l    pH : 3.45    ta : 5.72 g/l

**type :** Red    **body :** Medium    **taste :** Fruity    **wooded**

**pack :** Bottle    **size :** 750ml    **closure :** Screwcap

**in the vineyard :** Grapes came from Swartland and Agter - Paarl.

**about the harvest:** Picked at optimal fruit ripeness.

**in the cellar :** 40% of this wine was matured in 225-litre French oak barrels for a period of 12 months. The balance was oak staved for 6 months with added micro-oxygenation.

The grapes were cold-soaked for 24 hours and then fermented at 28° C with regular pump-overs and punch-downs.



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