

Org de Rac Merlot 2012

An appealing bouquet of plum, cigar-box, a whiff of mint and a touch of dark chocolate. Generous on the palate with well-integrated oak and soft tannins supporting the delicate fruit flavours.

Rack of lamb with mint sauce, quail, duck and carpaccio.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Org de Rac Domain

winemaker : Gilmar Boshoff

wine of origin : Swartland

analysis : alc : 14.0 % vol rs : 3.2 g/l pH : 3.44 ta : 5.9 g/l so2 : 66 mg/l fso2 : 15 mg/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **taste :** Fruity wooded organic

pack : Bottle **size :** 0 **closure :** Cork

ageing : 3 - 6 years

in the vineyard : Organically farmed, trellised with drip irrigation with different cover crops and organic mulching to stimulate healthy soil microbic activity. Strict pruning and green leaf management, essential for pest control.

about the harvest: Yield per Ha: Average to 7 tons/ha

in the cellar : During alcoholic fermentation frequent pump-overs was done on the must. This was done to ensure good colour and tannin extraction to enhance the length and mouthfeel of the wine.

Extended maceration followed alcoholic fermentation for another 14 days.

Wood Maturation

12 months of which 15% new oak, 85% 2nd and 3rd fill barrels

