

Whalehaven Merlot 2010

Dark red in colour with tobacco and spice on the nose. A rich, well-rounded wine with a firm finish. The tight plum and blackcurrant fruit reminiscent of good Cabernet indicates a wine that will reward cellaring.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Whalehaven Wines

winemaker : Reino Thiart

wine of origin : Coastal Region

analysis : alc : 14.5 % vol rs : 2.9 g/l pH : 3.57 ta : 4.7 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** 0

in the vineyard :

in the cellar : Following two days of cold maceration on skins, fermentation was completed reaching temperatures of 25 °C – 28 °C. Malo-lactic took place in stainless steel tanks with French oak staves. The wine was then matured for approximately 14 months in small French oak barrels, 33% in 1st new oak and 67% in 2nd and 3rd fill.

