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Raka Spliced 2011

Intense ruby red colour with blackcurrant, spice and ripe fruit on the nose. Fruity tones and soft tannins on the palate with a long spicy aftertaste.

variety : Merlot | 56% Merlot, 19% Ruby Cabernet, 8% Malbec, 9% Shiraz, 8% Petit Verdot
winery : Raka Wines
winemaker : Josef Dreyer
wine of origin : Western Cape
analysis : **alc :** 14.00 % vol **rs :** 3.1 g/l **pH :** 3.62 **ta :** 5.4 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Herbaceous **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

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about the harvest: All grapes were handpicked and sorted in the vineyards.

in the cellar : A second berry sorting was done in the cellar, before a pure yeast culture was inocculated. The juice was pumped over the skins 3-5 times per day and manuel punch downs done for 5 days. Once fermentation was complete, the wine was drained off the primary lees and transferred to a resting tank. Malolactic fermentation and a brief settling period preceded the wine's transfer to a combination of 225 litre barrels of French oak types. (25% New). The Ruby Cabernet was sourced from warmer areas to blend with the rest.