

KWV Classic Collection Merlot 2013

This generous and vibrant Merlot shows upfront plum, red berry and cherry flavours with nuances of cinnamon. The palate is accessible with well integrated, powdery tannins and a seamless and lingering finish.

Enjoy this wine on its own or with tomato based pastas, roasted duck, chicken or grilled steak.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : KWV Classic Collection

winemaker : The Winemaking Team

wine of origin : Western Cape

analysis : alc : 14.2 % vol rs : 5.2 g/l pH : 3.48 ta : 5.73 g/l

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

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

ageing : Enjoy this wine now or cellar for up to two and a half years from vintage.

in the vineyard : The winter preceding the 2013 vintage was characterized by plenty of cold spells and good, saturating rains, which ensured strong, even budding and replenished soil moisture. With the arrival of spring, cool to moderate temperatures reduced vigour and encouraged higher quality in the grapes. Slower, consistent growth persisted through the early summer thanks to dryer conditions, which kept diseases at bay. The uncharacteristic, supplementary rainfall during mid to late summer raised soil moisture levels and slightly extended the vintage and ripening period. Overall, the season delivered fruit with concentration, structure and flavour.

in the cellar : Components of the wine were oak matured for eight to ten months.

