

## Raka Barrel Select Merlot 2016

Appearance: Deep ruby colour. This juicy wine with red cherries, plums and a hint of mintiness on the nose carries the same character through on the palate, combined with spicy oak notes. This elegant and smooth wine has supple tannins.

variety: Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery: Raka Wines
winemaker: Josef Dreyer
wine of origin: Klein River

analysis: alc:14.5 % vol rs:2.3 g/l pH:3.45 ta:6.0 g/l

type:Red style:Dry wooded
pack:Bottle size:750ml closure:Cork

**about the harvest:** All grapes were hand picked 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 manual 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)



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