

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 inoculated. 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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