

## Ivory Creek Royal Rouge

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### 3 Stars by John Platter

An unwooded dry red wine with a rich, ruby colour. The wine has complex flavours, yet it is smooth and round, a light bodied wine made for easy drinking. Enjoy within two years with pasta, poultry and cheese. A blended light-bodied red wine in an easy drinkable style with berry flavours.

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**variety :** Ruby Cabernet | 38% Ruby Cabernet, 36% Pinotage, 20% Merlot, 6% Tinta Barocca

**winery :**

**winemaker :** Johan Delport

**wine of origin :** Olifants River

**analysis :** alc : 12.64 % vol    rs : 2.51 g/l    pH : 3.5    ta : 5.74 g/l

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**in the vineyard :** The grapes of this blend are grown at different areas on various altitudes for complexity in the wine.

**in the cellar :** Fermentation was allowed on skins until fermentation was completed. The wine was drained from the skins and later blended with the pressed wine. Fermentation was done under controlled conditions at 25Â°C for six days. The wine underwent malolactic fermentation after which the different varieties were blended together. This wine is not aged in wood, to maintain the fresh easy-drinking taste. Blend of Tinta Barocca 6%, Ruby Cabernet 38% and Pinotage 36% and Merlot 20%.

