



Raka Spliced 2011

main variety Merlot

vintage 2011

analysis alc: 14.00 | ph: 3.62 | rs: 3.1 | ta: 5.4

type Red

producer Raka Wines

style Dry

winemaker Josef Dreyer

taste Herbaceous

wine of Western Cape

body Full

tasting notes

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.

blend information

56% Merlot, 19% Ruby Cabernet, 8% Malbec, 9% Shiraz, 8% Petit Verdot

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 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). The Ruby Cabernet was sourced from warmer areas to blend with the rest.