



## KYBURG Merlot 2011

Deep ruby red in colour. Classic pencil-shavings French oak on nose balanced with dark fruit, red and black berries and cherries flavours with well-structured tannins.

### The Vineyard

Altitude: 110 – 140m  
Soil Type: Oakleaf & Tukulu  
Planted: 2000 & 2001  
Irrigation: Drip  
Viticulturist: Frans Snyman

### The Harvest

Method: Hand-picked in 20kg crates  
Yield: 8 t/ha  
Time: March

### The Winemaking

Winemaker: Jacques Fourie  
Must treatment: Cold maceration for 4 days  
Fermentation: SST Tank

**Maturation:** 12 months in French oak 20% new, 80% second fill

Bottled: 2012

Release: August 2018

Production: 5'500 bottles

Aging potential: >10 years

### Technical Analysis

Alcohol: 14.0%

PH: 3.5

Total acidity: 5.8 g/l

Residual sugar: 2.9 g/l



### Past recognitions:

(Kyburg does generally not participate in wine competitions)  
2008 Merlot: Mondial du Merlot (Switzerland): 84/100 points  
2008 Shiraz: 86/100 points from Weinwelt (Germany)  
2007 Cabernet Sauvignon: Santam Classic Wine Trophy;  
Silver Award - Best 6-20 out of 235 red wine entries  
2007 Shiraz: SA Terroir Award –  
Top Shiraz of Stellenbosch Wine Region

**Best Competition Rating: Buy, Drink and Enjoy Yourself!**