



## Darling Cellars "Six Tonner" Merlot 2008

main variety Merlot

vintage 2008

analysis alc: 13.33 | ph: 3.87 | rs: 1.9 | ta: 5.14

type Red

producer Darling Cellars

style Dry

winemaker Abe Beukes & Johan Nesenberend

taste Fruity

wine of Darling

body Medium

### tasting notes

A soft, fruity wine with delicate ripe plum flavours both on the nose and palate. With the subtle use of oak, this wine has a wonderfully appealing balance between fruit and wood.

### blend information

100% Merlot

### in the vineyard

Terroir: Decomposed granite, with deep red top soils. A low yield from dry land and bush vine

Vineyard type: Bush Vine, dry land

The recent demarcation of the Darling district has led to a focus at Darling Cellars on wines which are terroir and varietal specific. The cool and temperate West Coast climate lends itself to a different micro- and mesoclimate which, along with the different types of soil, lead to unique grapes, which we guide into even more unique wines. Having 99% of all vineyards dry land and almost the same percentage as bush vine, this is as close to what nature intended for grapes to be as one can get.

DC is a wine range of straight varietals where the focus is on fruit driven, varietal true, value for money wines.

### about the harvest

Yield: 5.5-6.5 ton/ha

Balling at Harvest: 24° - 25° B