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Darling Cellars Classic Cabernet Sauvignon / Merlot 2013

A well balanced wine with enticing fruit characters including plum and red cherry. A complex palate gives way to a lingering finish making this a great wine to be enjoyed with food.

A great wine to be enjoyed with a variety of food.

variety : Merlot | 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Merlot
winery : Darling Cellars
winemaker : Abé Beukes and Carl Hugo
wine of origin : Darling
analysis : **alc :** 14.38 % vol **rs :** 2.57 g/l **pH :** 3.69 **ta :** 5.10 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Screwcap

The idea behind the Classic Range is easy drinking fun wines which are rich in vibrant fruit, displays a little bit of complexity, but is never heavy, nor dull. Wines for all festive occasions.

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in the vineyard :
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Terroir: Decomposed granite and Hutton in the area surrounding Darling Hills. Hot summers moderated by the cool Atlantic
Vineyard type: Bush Vine, no irrigation

about the harvest: Yield: 6 - 8 t/ha
Balling at Harvest: 24° B

in the cellar : Vinification: Crush and destalk, 10 days fermentation at 22° C
Maturation: Maturing in stainless steel tanks with French oak staves for complexity

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