

Landskroon Shiraz 2005

A medium to full-bodied wine with subtle toast and cinnamon oak overlays. Some smoky and sweet berry fruit flavours.

Serve at 16 - 19°C with barbequed meats, oxtail, meat and cheese pastries.

variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz

winery : Landskroon Wines

winemaker : Abraham van Heerden

wine of origin : Paarl, Coastal Region

analysis : alc : 14.0 % vol rs : 3.10 g/l pH : 5.60 ta : 5.50 g/l

type : Red **wooded**

pack : Bottle

ageing : Enjoy now or within the next five years.

in the vineyard : **Origin:** Paarl, Coastal Region

Climate: Winter Rainfall approximately 600mm per annum. The estate is situated along the south western slopes of Paarl Mountain at an altitude of between 140 and 250 meters and benefits from cooling summer breezes from the Atlantic Ocean.

Irrigation: Limited irrigation of between 50 and 100mm is applied during drier summers in order to allow for optimum development and ripening of grapes.

Soils: Vary from decomposed granites to well drained sandy loam with gravel underlays.

Coopers: Sylvain, Schahinger, Trust & Nadalie

Age of Vines: 4 - 11 years

Vines per hectare: 3,000

Soil: Sandy loam and decomposed granite

Trellising: Bush vines

Yield: 6 – 8 tons per hectare

about the harvest: Grapes were harvested at 24,5°B, destemmed and transferred to open fermentation tanks.

in the cellar : After the addition of selected yeasts, the juice, together with the skins, were allowed to ferment at controlled temperatures of 25C and 28C. During fermentation, skins that tend to rise to the top were regularly pushed down to cool the cap and to optimise flavour and colour extraction. At 5B, juice was drained from the skins and the fermentation allowed to continue in closed tanks. Any juice remaining in the skins were recovered with the use of a gentle tank press. After allowing for malolactic fermentation to complete, the wine was racked from the lees and transferred to 225 litre oak barrels for maturation.

Barrel maturation: 12 months

Type of Wood: American Oak 2nd & 3rd fill

Bottling date: 3 October 2007

