

## Spice Route Flagship Syrah 2005

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Subtle fruit, with cloves, cinnamon and smoky character. Integrated and elegantly understated mouthfeel, with well balanced oak and soft tannins. Spice flavours follow through from the nose, with black cherries, liquorice and restrained red fruit. Medium bodied mid palate with a long, rounded finish.

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**variety :** Shiraz | Shiraz 100%

**winery :** Spice Route Winery

**winemaker :** Charl du Plessis

**wine of origin :** Swartland

**analysis :** alc : 15.0 % vol   rs : 2.6 g/l   pH : 3.49   ta : 6.6 g/l

**type :** Red   **wooded**

**pack :** Bottle   **closure :** Cork

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**in the vineyard :** The grapes for our Flagship Syrah are harvested from cordon pruned vines at Rheebofontein in Malmesbury. The vineyard is on a South facing slope, at an altitude of about 150m above sea level. Cool breezes result in cold night time temperatures. The vines are planted on deep red ferric Oakleaf soils. These are suitable for dry land viticulture as they hold moisture well, due to their clay content. In 2005 this premium Syrah vineyard yielded between 6 and 7 tons per hectare.