

## Spier Discover Shiraz 2008

Dark red in colour, the wine shows inviting black currant and black pepper on the nose. Prominent berries linger on a well-structured palate with classic hints of spice.

Serve with a pepper steak burger and spicy, crisp potato wedges fried in rice bran oil.

**variety** : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz

**winery** : Spier Wine Farm

**winemaker** : Lizanne Tomé and Frans Smit

**wine of origin** : Western Cape

**analysis** : alc : 14.0 % vol rs : 4-5 g/l pH : 3.65 ta : 5.4 g/l

**type** : Red **style** : Dry **body** : Medium **taste** : Fruity

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

**ageing** : Enjoy now or within 2 years from harvest.

### **in the vineyard** : Terroir

Western Cape - particularly and coastal and Worcester.

Average temperature: Winter 17°C; Summer 25°C

Annual rainfall: 220 mm

Proximity to ocean: 80 km

Soil: Alluvial, Silty Dundee, Tukululu, Oak leaf and Riverbed.

### **Viticulture**

Trellised vines and bush vines aged 10 - 20 years yielded the grapes for this wine.

The vineyards received supplementary drip irrigation and produced 8 - 15 tons per hectare.

**about the harvest**: The grapes were handpicked at optimum ripeness.

**in the cellar** : After harvesting the grapes were de-stemmed and gently crushed. Cold maceration took place at 10 - 12°C prior to fermentation in stainless steel tanks. Daily pump-overs were conducted for optimum extraction of colour and flavour. Wines from chosen tanks were blended and fined, and matured for 6 months before bottling.



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