

## Fairview Sweet Red 2008

Plum and black cherry aromas with liquorice and spice. Lively sweetness on the palate, with a long finish showing sweet brambly fruit.

variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz  
winery : Fairview Wines  
winemaker : Anthony de Jager  
wine of origin : Coastal  
analysis : alc : 19.6 % vol rs : 146. g/l pH : 3.67 ta : 3.8 g/l  
type : Red style : Sweet wooded  
pack : Bottle closure : Screwcap

in the vineyard : Established in 1693, Fairview cellar with its spectacular view of Table Mountain lies on the south western slopes of Paarl at the Cape of Good Hope. Fairview was purchased by my grandfather in 1937 and I am the third generation of my family to make wine here. We have vineyards in the leading coastal grape producing areas, where geographic and climatic diversity allows us to craft a range of truly distinctive wines, complemented by Fairview's range of award winning artisanal cheeses. To Life!

about the harvest: Shiraz was hand picked at 27.7° B.

in the cellar : The bunches were destalked and crushed and the juice was fermented until the balling was around 18° B. At this time the alcohol content was approximately 4.5%. Fermentation lasted six days, during which time we try to get the maximum extraction and colour from the skins. The wine was pressed off, and was fortified with five year old brandy spirits. The wine was transferred to used French and American oak barrels and matured for approximately 12 months, before blending and bottling.

