

## KWV Contemporary Collection Shiraz Cabernet Sauvignon 2010

This medium bodied wine has a combination of blackberry, raspberry and plum flavours. On the palate the fruit is complemented by subtle floral, vanilla and butterscotch flavours. The wine is smooth with generous, soft tannins.

Enjoy on its own or with a variety of red meat dishes.

**variety :** Shiraz | 60% Shiraz; 40% Cabernet Sauvignon

**winery :** KWV Classic Collection

**winemaker :** The KWV Winemaking Team

**wine of origin :** Western Cape

**analysis :** alc : 13.87 % vol    rs : 2.86 g/l    pH : 3.53    ta : 5.90 g/l

**type :** Red    **body :** Medium    **wooded**

**pack :** Bottle    **size :** 0    **closure :** Cork

**ageing :** Maximum 1 year from vintage.

### **in the vineyard : About the area**

South Africa's vineyards are mostly situated in the Western Cape, near the coast. This is the southernmost region of the African continent and has a Mediterranean type climate and diverse soils, perfectly suited to quality grape production.

### **Vintage conditions**

The 2010 harvest will be remembered for its erratic weather changes, which posed a challenge for winemakers and viticulturists alike. A cold, but late winter preceded the growing season, providing much needed rest to the vineyards. Budding was earlier than expected, which introduced an early start for the 2010 harvest. The season was characterised by mild weather until the end of February that was favourable for slow ripening and the development of berry flavours. Above average rainfall was recorded during the growing season, resulting in increased disease pressure and lower vineyard yields. Quality in general was very good, promising a range of excellent wines from KWV.

**about the harvest:** Harvest Day: February

**in the cellar :** Maturation: 1 - 2 months of wood maturation.

