

Essay Shiraz Cinsault Mourvèdre Viognier 2010

This is a medium-bodied red wine with an expressive nose and a soft, lush mouth-feel. The shiraz and cinsault combine to give ripe plum cherry fruit on the palate with a touch of pepper spice. Mourvèdre adds complexity with savoury and dark fruit aromas. The Viognier adds softness and intriguing floral notes.

This is a modern-styled Cape wine that will complement a wide range of foods. Excellent as a sipping red wine, it will also go well with Asian foods, modern fusion cuisine and Italian dishes.

variety : Shiraz | 87% Shiraz, 6% Cinsaut, 6% Mourvèdre, 1% Viognier

winery : MAN Family Wines

winemaker : .

wine of origin : Western Cape

analysis : **alc** : 14.0 % vol **rs** : 3.38 g/l **pH** : 3.49 **ta** : 5.6 g/l

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

pack : Bottle **closure** : Cork

in the vineyard : Grape source: Several premium vineyards in the Western Cape region of South Africa

in the cellar : The grapes were fermented over 7 days in stainless steel tanks. The shiraz portion was lightly wooded for softer mouth-feel. The wine was made in a fruit-forward, soft style. Cinsault was added for additional red berry fruit flavours, and Mourvèdre brings texture and spice. A touch of Viognier was added to soften the tannins and for its floral aromas. The wine was fined and filtered before bottling.

