

Fairhills Shiraz / Merlot 2011

Deep, vibrant ruby coloured. Pungent spice and fruit on nose, coupled with subtle toasty vanilla oak complementing the blackcurrant/raspberry aromas. Medium bodied palate with easy tannin structure and length.

variety : Shiraz | 70% Shiraz, 30% Merlot

winery : Origin Wine

winemaker : Alain Cajoux

wine of origin : Western Cape

analysis : **alc** : 14.0 % vol **rs** : 4.5 g/l **pH** : 3.4 **ta** : 0.3 g/l

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

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

in the vineyard : Appellation: Western Cape

Area planted: 36 ha

Age of vines: 10 - 12 years

Rootstock: Richter 99

Clone: Unknown

Trellis system: 3 Wire

Irrigation: Yes

Vine density: 2500 vines/ha

Soil: Hutton, Clay & light stone

Climate: Coastal

about the harvest: Date: Middle March

Type: Handpicked

Yield: 8 - 9 ton/ha

in the cellar : Crushing/Destemming: Gentle Destalking

Tanks (type): Stainless Steel

Fermentation protocol (vessel, temp, duration): Pre-fermentation maceration 3 days @ 10°C. tandard (2 x pumpovers) maceration at <30°C until dry

Yeast Strain: Oenoferm Rouge

Malolactic (y/n): No

Lees contact / battonage: No

Barrel ageing (oak type, % of blend, duration): Yes, 10% barrel matured, American Oak MT+

Fining: Bentonite