

## Two Oceans Shiraz Rosé 2012

Colour: Bright pink rose.

Bouquet: Intense aromas of fresh strawberries and citrus fruit supported by subtle rose petal and floral notes.

Taste: A fresh and fruity wine with strawberry, peach and melon flavours, balanced by a fresh acidity, with a lingering finish.

Excellent on its own or with grilled seafood, chicken and pasta dishes or with soft cream cheeses.

**variety** : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz

**winery** : Two Oceans Wines

**winemaker** : Justin Corrans

**wine of origin** : Coastal

**analysis** : alc : 12.20 % vol    rs : 7.50 g/l    pH : 6.22    ta : 6.25 g/l

**type** : Rose    **body** : Medium    **taste** : Fruity    wooded

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

**in the vineyard** : Background

It's one of the most extraordinary places on the planet, along the southern tip of Africa, where two mighty oceans meet. Like an attraction of opposites, the warm Indian and the icy cold Atlantic oceans connect to create an awesome chemistry! It impacts on the climate and the coastline and extends way into the vineyards of the famed Western Cape.

The presence of the oceans is never far away, reaching beyond the coastline and further inland. Here in the Western Cape, winter rains soak the soils and summer warmth ripens the vines but slowly. Cooling sea breezes and mists lower the temperatures so the grapes can develop in their own time with flavours that are intense and plentiful.

You can taste it in Two Oceans wines: fresh, delicious and full of life.

All Two Oceans wines are made from IPW-accredited vines, farmed according to eco-sustainable principles. From the 2010 vintage, all Two Ocean wines carry the sustainability seal that guarantees production integrity every step of the way from the vineyards to the final pack, be it bottle or box.

The oceans aren't just an important influence on Two Oceans wines. They also sustain life. That's why Two Oceans supports the WWF Southern African Sustainable Seafood Initiative (WWF SASSI) that helps to improve the conservation status of overexploited seafood in our oceans.

This wine is made entirely from Shiraz grapes.

The vineyards (viticulturist: Bennie Liebenberg)

The grapes were sourced from premium vineyards in the Stellenbosch and mainly Malmesbury regions, situated at altitudes some 110m to 160m above sea level. The vines are grown in deep red decomposed granite as well as sandy and gravel soils, ideally suited to the cultivation of Shiraz grapes. The warm, dry condition resulted in a yield of five to eight tons per hectare of healthy grapes with smaller berries and a favourable skin-to-juice ratio. Pest and disease control was implemented according to South African subjective IPW standards.

**about the harvest**: The grapes were harvested at 19° to 21° Balling during February.

**in the cellar** : The grapes were crushed, and the juice and skins kept together for 4



hours to extract an optimum level of colour. The juice was separated from the skins in dejuicers and then clarified. The clean juice was inoculated with a pure yeast culture and fermented in stainless steel tanks at 13° C. After fermentation the wine was racked from the lees, blended, cold-stabilized and filtered prior to bottling.

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