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Simonsig Cabernet Sauvignon / Shiraz 2011

Vibrant Ruby colour. An aromatic introduction to youthful fruits such as various red berries evokes the taste buds. Peeling through layers of primary fruit a subtle smokiness of fine wood integration completes the palate. Though youthful the tannins are well rounded and smooth ensuring this wine to be a super quaffer show stopper.

Pork belly with apple sauce, vegetable and beef stir fry on couscous, lamb shank on mash potato.

variety : Cabernet Sauvignon | 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 50% Shiraz
winery : Simonsig Family Vineyards
winemaker : Johan Malan
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 14.7 % vol **rs :** 4.9 g/l **pH :** 3.7 **ta :** 5.8 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Soft **taste :** Fruity
pack : Bottle **closure :** Cork

2006
2009 Wine Magazine Best Value Award
2008 Wine Magazine Best Value Award

ageing : Ready to drink now but could age for a further 3 to 4 years.

in the vineyard : **Vintage Description**
2011 Vintage will go down in history as windy, very dry and hotter than normal. At Simonsig Estate the vintage was 33% more than last year, but it should be kept in mind that 2010 was smaller by 20%. The young vineyards such as the Shiraz accounted for the biggest increase in tonnage. The bigger crop of Shiraz caused a shortage of red wine fermentation capacity and the extra wait meant the Cabernets had longer hang time on the vines.

Background
A new blend of Cabernet Sauvignon and Shiraz introduced into the Simonsig range in 2003.

about the harvest: On 18 March we started picking the Cabernet and finished during the first week of April. The Shiraz grapes were picked from the end of February to the beginning of March.



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