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# Fairview Enzaamheid Shiraz 2010

Dark fruit with notes of blueberry and herbal tea on the nose, followed by concentrated fruit on the palate. Fine texture accommodates flavours of black cherries, smoky cloves and savoury game. Complex and refined.

**variety :** Shiraz | 100% Shiraz
**winery :** Fairview Wines
**winemaker :** Anthony de Jager
**wine of origin :** Paarl
**analysis :** **alc :** 14.5 % vol **rs :** 4.6 g/l **pH :** 3.38 **ta :** 5.6 g/l
**type :** Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
**pack :** Bottle **closure :** Cork

**2009 Vintage**
International Wine Challenge 2012 - Bronze Medal
Decanter World Wine Awards 2012 - Silver Medal
Concours Mondial de Bruxelles 2012 - Gold Medal

**2006 Vintage**
Matthew Jukes' Top 50 from Cape Wine 2008

**2004 Vintage**
2007 Decanter World Wine Awards - Bronze Medal
2007 International Wine Challenge - Bronze Medal
2007 Concours Mondial de Bruxelles - Great Gold Medal
Sante Classic Wine Trophy 2006 - Gold Medal
Veritas 2006 - Silver
John Platter Wine Guide - 5 stars

**2003 Vintage**
2006 Concours Mondial de Bruxelles - Gold Medal
Santé Classic Trophy 2005 - Gold Medal Red Wine
Wine Spectator - 91 points
John Platter Wine Guide - 4½ stars

**2002 Vintage**
2005 International Wine Challenge - Bronze Medal
2004 Concours Mondial de Bruxelles - Silver Medal
2003 International Wine Challenge - Silver Medal
2003 Concours Mondial Bruxelles - Gold Medal
2002 International Wine Challenge 2002 - Gold Medal
2002 Michelangelo International Wine Awards - Gold Medal
Veritas 2002 - Gold
2002 Paarl Vintners Shiraz Challenge - Top Shiraz
4½ stars John Platter Guide 2003
Wine Spectator - 92 points

**ageing :** This wine will develop over the next decade or longer.

**in the vineyard :** Established in 1693, Fairview cellar with its spectacular view of Table Mountain lies on the south western slopes of Paarl at the Cape of Good Hope. Fairview was purchased by my grandfather in 1937 and I am the third generation of my family to make wine here. We have vineyards in the leading coastal grape producing areas, where geographic and climatic diversity allows us to craft a range of truly distinctive wines, complemented by Fairview's range of award winning artisanal cheeses. To Life!

*Charles Back*

This vineyard was planted in 1996, with two Shiraz clones (SH1 and SH21) grafted onto Richter 99 rootstock. The soil type is Swartland shale, a deep uniform

decomposed soil with excellent water retention. This allows these unirrigated vines to easily ripen the crop without stressing during our hot, dry summers. Strict winter pruning and summer canopy management ensure a well balanced crop that reaches good phenolic ripeness. A final crop thinning at 80% vêraison also ensures an even ripeness. The vineyard is regularly visited during the ripening period and tested by taste, visual and analytical examination to determine exact picking date.

**about the harvest:** Harvest date: 27 February 2010

The grapes were harvested at 25.5°B respectively.

**in the cellar :** The fruit was rigorously hand-sorted to remove unwanted berries. The berries were transferred to 600 litre open-ended French oak barrels. Selected Rhône yeasts were used for fermentation and manual punch-downs were performed three times a day. Post fermentation maceration lasted for eight days. The grapes were basket pressed and the wine was sent to 225 litre French oak barriques for malolactic fermentation and further ageing. 45% new barrels were used and the remainder was matured in 2nd and 3rd fill barriques. Barrel aging lasted 21 months and the wine was bottled in the first week of December 2010. Total production for the 2009 vintage was sixteen barrels.