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Two Oceans Shiraz 2013



Colour: Bright vibrant red.
Bouquet: Complex aromas of red berries with cloves and spice, hints of white pepper and a subtle vanilla background as a result of careful oaking.
Taste: Juicy and soft on the palate with red berry fruit flavours and spicy, peppery nuances. The tannins are soft and mouth-filling with a lingering spicy finish.

Excellent served with red meat, game and pasta dishes.

variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz
winery : Two Oceans Wines
winemaker : Justin Corrans
wine of origin : Western Cape
analysis : **alc :** 13.33 % vol **rs :** 7.20 g/l **pH :** 3.59 **ta :** 5.30 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Medium **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Screwcap

in the vineyard : Background
At the southern tip of Africa, along the brooding, craggy coastline of the southern Cape, two mighty but opposing oceans meet - the one cold, the other, warm. The impact is immense. It affects the climate, the coastline and areas inland, and the influence on the vineyards of the Western Cape is significant.

The Atlantic Ocean that flows along the west coast of Africa is fed by the icy Benguela current from the South Pole. The Indian Ocean is fed by the Agulhas current coming from the tropics. Their connection, amidst crashing waves and soaring spray, creates a unique set of conditions.

Whether along the coast or further inland, the presence of the oceans is never far away. Cooling sea breezes and mists can lower temperatures during the lead-up to the harvest, slowing down ripening. Grapes aren't hurried but develop in their own time with flavours that are balanced, intense and plentiful.

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

Two Oceans takes its responsibility to the environment very seriously. All wines are made from IPW-accredited vines, farmed according to eco-sustainable principles. They also carry the fully traceable sustainability seal that guarantees production integrity every step of the way from the vineyards to the final pack, be it bottle or box. Bottled wines are sold exclusively in light-weight, fully recyclable 410 gram bottles, while labels, inks and adhesives are all biodegradable.

This wine is made entirely of Shiraz grapes.

The vineyards (viticulturist: Bennie Liebenberg)
The grapes were sourced from bush and trellised vineyards in the Stellenbosch, Helderberg, Malmesbury and Durbanville areas, situated at altitudes ranging from 50 m to 180 m above sea level. The majority of the vineyards are grown under dryland conditions while some received supplementary irrigation.

about the harvest: The 2013 vintage was later than usual, so grapes were harvested at an optimum sugar level of 23° to 24° Balling. Grapes were harvested by hand and machine.

in the cellar : The juice was fermented on the skins for five days during which pump-overs were performed. Extraction was carefully monitored by tasting to ensure

maximum extraction of colour and flavour without aggressive tannins. Post-fermentation maceration occurred on some of the ferments. Fermentation was followed by malolactic fermentation. The wine was subsequently racked onto French and American oak and matured for six months. The wine was gently finned and filtered prior to bottling.

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