

Groot Constantia Merlot/Shiraz 1999

A blend of noble varietals, Merlot 60% and Shiraz 40% results in a soft, full-bodied taste and plenty of berry and pepper aromas. Loads of berry flavours derive from the Merlot grapes, whilst Shiraz has its typical peppery trademark. The wine is prepared in a medium to full bodied style, and the blending has been done after maturation.

Serving Suggestions: Beef stew, Oxtail.

variety : Merlot | Merlot, Shiraz

winery : Groot Constantia Estate (founded 1685)

winemaker : Boela Gerber

wine of origin : Coastal

analysis : alc : 13.88 % vol rs : 2.6 g/l pH : 3.64 ta : 5.8 g/l

type : Red

in the vineyard : Climate: Mediterranean - Wonderful cool breezes coming from the Indian Ocean as well as the Atlantic Ocean. With an average rainfall of 1100 mm per annum. Although the weather this year was much cooler compared to last year.

Soil Type: Avalon, Glenrosa, Clovelly

in the cellar : Wines were fermented dry on the skins and thereafter aged in small French oak barrels 40% new and 60% 2nd and 3rd fill. Kept in wood for 10 months.

