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Spier Signature Shiraz 2012

Rich ruby red in colour. Flavours of spice and ripe plums on the nose and palate with an undertow of bruléed sugar. Gentle soft tannins and a creamy aftertaste.

Rump or Sirloin steak.

variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz
winery : Spier Wine Farm
winemaker : Jacques Erasmus
wine of origin : Western Cape
analysis : **alc :** 14.5 % vol **rs :** 3.3 g/l **pH :** 3.52 **ta :** 5.6 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Medium **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

in the vineyard : Origin
Western Cape (Darling, Durbanville, Botrivier and Paarl).

Terroir
Soil: Clovelly, Hutton and Estcourt.
Temperature: winter 9/18°C; summer 14/26°C
Annual rainfall: 650-750mm
Proximity to ocean: 40-80km

Vineyard and Climate Conditions
Trellised vines of 14 -16 years old and planted on north-eastern slopes yielded the grapes for this wine. The vines received supplementary irrigation and produced 10 tons per hectare.

about the harvest: Grapes were harvested at 24° Balling.

in the cellar : Grapes were gently crushed, de-stemmed and cooled. After two days of cold soaking the juice was fermented until dry in stainless steel tanks at 24°C. Three pump-overs were conducted daily. After fermentation 20% of the wine was matured in French oak barrels for 8-10 months and the remainder matured in stainless steel tanks with French oak staves.



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