

Leeuwenkuil Cinsault 2014

An elegant and velvety wine with good colour and concentration for Cinsault. Red berries and cherries, savoury black olives and spices.

Reduced bone marrow tomato pasta with black olives to give it a Mediterranean twist.

variety : Cinsaut | 100% Cinsaut

winery : Leeuwenkuil Family Vineyards

winemaker : Inge Terblance

wine of origin : Swartland

analysis : **alc** : 13.01 % vol **rs** : 2.1 g/l **pH** : 3.64 **ta** : 5.6 g/l

type : Red

pack : Bottle **size** : 750ml **closure** : Screwcap

ageing : Drink now and age for another four years.

in the vineyard : The oldest dryland bushvine vineyards were used as a source for this wine. The crop was reduced to 1 bunch per shoot to enhance grape quality. Grapes were picked at sugars of between 18 and 23 degrees balling.

about the harvest:

Harvest date: Mid to end February.

Yield: 8.5 ton/ha

For the late-ripeners that Cinsault is, the good rains during the 2014 harvest were a blessing. The easy ripening conditions led to an elegant and fruity wine. Grapes were picked at different sugar levels to ensure good balance.

in the cellar : The wine was fermented on the skins with punch downs and pump overs as well as carbonic maceration to retain up-front fruit. The wine was aged in 500L and 5000L French oak barrels for 8 months before blending and bottling.

