

Delaire Graff Cape Vintage 2013

Uplifting and beautifully weighted. Polished red berry fruit is crisp and spicy. Good acidity and finely honed tannins complete the palate experience.

variety : Tinta Barocca | 60% Tinta Barocca and 40% Touriga Nacional

winery : Delaire Graff Estate

winemaker : Morne Vrey

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 19.5 % vol rs : 95.5 g/l pH : 3.97 ta : 5.2 g/l

type : Red

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

in the vineyard : The 2013 conditions produced crops of exceptional quality. The cool harvest period and slow ripening of grapes resulted in smaller berries with exceptional flavours and structure.

about the harvest: Grapes were handpicked at optimal ripeness in 18 kg lug boxes from 14 year old Stellenbosch vineyards.

in the cellar : Directly after picking, the grapes were cooled to 5°C, crushed and cold-soaked for five days. Thereafter, the grapes underwent a cycle of gentle punch downs six times per day and were then fortified with a combination of wine and un-aged brandy spirits when the desired sugar levels were reached. The wine was matured in 20-year old oak barrels for 12 months and was released only after a further 18 months of bottle maturation.

