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Raka Biography Shiraz 2012

Appearance: Clean ruby colour
Spicy aromas with hints of chocolate, coffee and black fruit is forthcoming on the bouquet. These aromas follow through on a silky full body palate, with dried plum and pepper flavours. Complete structure and a full body wine with a well balanced between tannins acidity leaves a lingering taste.

variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz
winery : Raka Wines
winemaker : Josef Dreyer
wine of origin : Klein River
analysis : **alc :** 14.0 % vol **rs :** 3.4 g/l **pH :** 3.68 **ta :** 5.3 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

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about the harvest: All grapes were hand-picked.

in the cellar : The grapes were sorted twice before a pure yeast culture was inoculated The juice was pumped over the skins 3 - 5 times per day for 5 days. Once fermentation was complete, the wine was drained of the primary lees and transferred to a resting tank. Malolactic fermentation and a brief settling period preceded the wine to a combination of 225 litre barrels of French (85%) and American (15%) oak types for 12 months.

