

Hartenberg The Stork Shiraz 2012

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Rich and mouth filling with loads of black fruit, violets, cherries.

Independent Tasting Notes "...decadent, almost ostentatious bouquet of macerated dark cherries, creme de cassis, plum and glycerine. ...palate is full-bodied with silky smooth, seamless tannins and layers of luscious red fruits. For hedonists, this is the perfect Shiraz!" (NM) Robert Parker

Dijon & herb-crusted rack of Lamb served with a simple jus.

variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz

winery : Hartenberg Estate

winemaker : Carl Schultz

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 14.34 % vol rs : 5.7 g/l pH : 3.5 ta : 2.2 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fragrant **wooded**

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

2011 Tim Atkins SA Wine Report 93 points (June 2015), 4½ stars Platter's SA Wine Guide

2010 4½ stars Platter's SA Wine Guide, Gold Medal Decanter (2014)

2009 Silver medal 2013 Syrah Du Monde France

2008 Gold Medal 2012 Syrah Du Monde and first place- best Shiraz in the world

2007 Vintage 4½ stars Platter's SA Wine Guide | 91 points Robert Parker

2006 Vintage 4½ stars Platter's, Gold medal Syrah du Monde (France)

2005 Vintage 5 Stars Platter's SA Wine Guide & 5 Stars Decanter Magazine | 3rd best Syrah in the world

Syrah-du-Monde (France) | 91(+) Wine Enthusiast, Wine Spectator

2004 Vintage 5 Stars Platter's SA Wine Guide | 90 points Wine Spectator

2003 Vintage Double Gold Veritas SA, Michelangelo & red wine of the year | 91 points Wine Spectator, Gold medal IWSC

ageing : Up to 15 years from vintage.

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in the vineyard : The Stork is extremely limited, representing a very specific vineyard of Shiraz at the estate.

Planted in the near-perfect clay-rich red earth (terra rossa) on one of the estate's South-eastern slopes. Due to the deeper soils and lower temperatures these Shiraz grapes ripen a full month later than anywhere else on Hartenberg. One average five or six picks are made from the parcel over two or three weeks; each representing a facet of this great vineyard.

Shiraz is the cultivar that has made Hartenberg famous, and The Stork will ensure this reputation continues.

in the cellar : Barrel Ageing 19 months in 100% new French oak barrels

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