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Domaine Grier Grenache 2012

The wine shows classic red berry fruit and cherries with a hint of spice and underlying vanilla chocolate. The rich soft mouth feel is typical of Grenache but it is well structured ensuring maturation potential.



variety : Grenache | 100% Grenache
winery : Villiera Wines
winemaker : Raphael Graugnard
wine of origin :
analysis : **alc :** 13.5 % vol **rs :** 0.8 g/l **pH :** 3.48 **ta :** 5.07 g/l
type : Red **body :** Soft **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

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about the harvest: Harvesting occurred at optimum ripeness to maximise fruit potential and ensure soft tannins.

in the cellar : The grapes were fully crushed and destalked before transferring to red wine fermenters. Fermentation proceeded at 23-28ºC combined with regular pumpovers. After completing primary fermentation the wine went through 3 weeks of post maceration to maximise colour extraction and to soften the tannins. During this period the malolactic fermentation was completed. A light pressing following this process.

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