

Darling Cellars Reserve Black Granite Shiraz 2015

A vibrant display of fresh fruit which includes cherries, candy floss, spice, tobacco and red pepper. A good concentration of darker fruit is displayed on the palate and also includes vanilla, cacao and chocolate. The tannins are silky, juicy and supplementary to the length of fruit. This wine is well balanced, complex and in full harmony.

Can be enjoyed with a good smoked brisket or flamed grilled steak with mushroom puff tartlets.

variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz

winery : Darling Cellars

winemaker : Carel Hugo, Pieter-Niel Rossouw

wine of origin : Darling

analysis : alc : 14.32 % vol rs : 2.71 g/l pH : 3.65 ta : 5.11 g/l

type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Medium **taste :** Fruity **wooded**

pack : Bottle **size :** 0 **closure :** Screwcap

Gold Wine Awards - Gold
Veritas 2016: Bronze

The recent demarcation of the Darling district has led to a focus at Darling Cellars on wines which are terroir and varietal specific. The cool and temperate West Coast climate lends itself to a different micro- and mesoclimate which, along with the different types of soil, lead to unique grapes, which we guide into even more unique wines. Having 99% of all vineyards dry land and almost the same percentage as bush vine, this is as close to what nature intended for grapes to be as one can get. Darling Cellars Reserve is a wine range of straight varietals where the focus is on fruit driven, varietal true, value for money wines.

in the vineyard : Terroir: Strategically selected sites which get the warm sunny days and cooling effect of the Atlantic Ocean. Deep soils from decomposed granite, clay rich, good drainage

Vineyard type: Bush Vine, no irrigation

about the harvest: Yield: 6-8 t/ha

Balling at Harvest: 24-25°B

in the cellar : Vinification: Crush and destalk, 5-10 days fermentation at 20-30°C

Maturation: After malolactic fermentation, wine is racked into 2nd and 3rd fill barrels and stainless steel tanks with a combination of French and American oak staves for 12 months to add structure and complexity.



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