

## Kleine Zalze Vineyard Selection Barrel Matured Shiraz 2015

The wine shows the great density of flavour which is typical of our Shiraz. Initial aromas of ripe red fruits are followed by hints of spice. These flavours follow seamlessly on the palate with a bold, yet refined tannin profile that we believe gives the wine great ageing potential.

**variety :** Shiraz | 100% Shiraz

**winery :** Kleine Zalze Wines

**winemaker :** RJ Botha

**wine of origin :** Stellenbosch

**analysis :** alc : 14.0 % vol   rs : 4.3 g/l   pH : 3.40   ta : 6.4 g/l

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

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

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**ageing :** Although drinking well now, will reward careful cellaring

**in the vineyard :** Most of the fruit for this wine was sourced from our own vineyards with a few selected parcels from other Stellenbosch vineyards. The relatively wet winter season meant that no supplementary irrigation was needed and a good balance of fruit concentration and elegance was achieved with very little intervention. Moderate day-time and cool night-time temperatures during the ripening period meant that we had very good flavour development in the fruit prior harvest.

**about the harvest:** All the vineyard blocks were harvested and vinified separately.

**in the cellar :** After hand picking grapes were sorted after de-stemming and transferred to tank "wholeberry" i.e. without crushing. The grapes were cold macerated for three days before fermentation started. During fermentation the juice was regularly pumped over for optimum colour and flavour extraction. After fermentation the wines were pressed and transferred to barrel for malolactic fermentation. The wine was matured for 22 months in a combination first (40%), second (30%) and third fill (30%) French oak barrels before the various components were blended and prepared for bottling.



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