

Delaire Graff Cape Vintage 2015

Uplifting and beautifully weighted. Polished red berry fruit is crisp and spicy. Good acidity and finely honed tannins complete the palate experience.

variety : Tinta Barocca | 60% Tinta Barocca and 40% Touriga Nacional

winery : Delaire Graff Estate

winemaker : Morne Vrey

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : **alc** : 19 % vol **rs** : 85.5 g/l **pH** : 3.85 **ta** : 5.3 g/l

type : Red

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

in the vineyard : The dry 2015 weather led to one of the healthiest seasons in years with very little loss. Warm weather resulted in earlier bud break and a dry and windy summer regulated growth accelerating ripening. Wines were above average in quality with exceptional analysis and flavour

about the harvest: Grapes were handpicked at optimal ripeness in 18 kg lug boxes from 14 year old Stellenbosch vineyards.

in the cellar : Directly after picking, the grapes were cooled to 5 degrees celsius, crushed and cold-soaked for five days. Thereafter, the grapes underwent a cycle of gentle punch downs six times per day and were then fortified with a combination of wine and un-aged brandy spirits when the desired sugar levels were reached. The wine was matured in 20-year old oak barrels for 12 months and was released only after a further 18 months of bottle maturation.

