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Kleine Zalze Family Reserve Shiraz 2016

The wines shows great intensity of aroma and flavor, which is typical of the great 2015 vintage. Intense aromas of bramble berries give way to notes of plum and scrub herbs. A bold entry of ripe fruit is backed up by dense, yet fine grained tannin structure that gives the palate weight while not compromising vibrancy and elegance.



variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz
winery : Kleine Zalze Wines
winemaker : RJ Botha
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 14.5 % vol **rs :** 4.4 g/l **pH :** 3.40 **ta :** 6.3 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

ageing : While delicious now this wine will only improve over time and should reward careful cellaring for up to 10 years.

in the vineyard : Each block contributing its own, unique character to this wine. 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: Grapes were harvested from two blocks on our Groote Zalze farm. Grapes were hand harvested early in the morning.

in the cellar : Grapes were hand harvested early in the morning, de-stemmed and sorted before being transferred to stainless steel tank for fermentation. The perfect structure in the wine was achieved through a combination of open and closed pump overs and careful monitoring to ensure the best balance possible. Maturation took place for 19 months in 70% new French oak barrels.

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