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The Sleeper Shiraz 2017

Opulent dark fruit is supported by aromatic notes of spice distinctive to Shiraz. The wine is textured, layered and showing elegance and refined
structure. Nice savoury and smokey characteristics are evident on the palate. Tremendous fullness, massive supple structure which fills the entire mouth, voluptuous velvety tannins that make the tongue feel gracefully coated. Full bodied yet refined. A long and enchanting finish leaves one wanting more.

Game, ostrich, steak, roast beef, spicy lamb dishes.

variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz
winery : Rickety Bridge Estate
winemaker : Wynand Grobler
wine of origin : Franschhoek
analysis : **alc :** 13.65 % vol **rs :** 2.1 g/l **pH :** 3.56 **ta :** 6.0 g/l
type : Red **style :** Dry
pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

ageing : Peak potential 10 years from vintage.

about the harvest: The Sleeper Shiraz is made from the fruit of well - manicured and settled vines. These grapes were harvested by hand in early February into small crates and brought into the cellar carefully one by one.

in the cellar : Fermentation took place in open fermentation tanks using 80% whole bunches. We did four punch downs daily, while the wine underwent fermentation, with the grapes being pressed gently after 14 days. Malolactic fermentation took place in 100% new French 500 litre oak barrels for a total of 22 months before blending and bottling.

