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# Capaia Shiraz 2018

Dark, deep ruby red with a forthcoming nose of prunes, black cherries, raspberries, forest floor, bacon, cedar. The entry is dry, with peppery, tangy red fruit and smoky flavours tantalising the palate. This medium- to full-bodied wine has superb aging potential, yet also very approachable at this early stage.




**variety :** Shiraz | 100% Shiraz
**winery :** Capaia Wines
**winemaker :** Stephan von Neipperg, Bernabé Strydom, Gerhard Augustyn
**wine of origin :** Philadelphia
**analysis :** **alc :** 14.5 % vol **rs :** 2.6 g/l **pH :** 3.58 **ta :** 5.2 g/l **so2 :** 87 mg/l **fso2 :** 25 mg/l
**type :** Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fragrant **wooded**
**pack :** Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

**ageing :** Up to 10 years from vintage.

The 2018 harvest season was really challenging, due to a prolonged drought, accompanied by water restrictions. The dry weather throughout the season had its advantages as vines were healthy with limited incidences of pests, diseases or rot. The dry, warm weather resulted in healthy grapes and small berries with good intensity. Greater variation between night and day temperatures during the ripening stage gave the colour and flavour formation a further boost, which are indicative of remarkable quality wines.

**in the cellar :** From time to time, depending on the vintage and grapes available, Capaia releases a special edition of Shiraz as a single variety. This Shiraz underwent natural fermentation in large French Oak fermenters. Maturation took place in 2 nd fill French Oak barrels for a total of 14 months.