

Alto Shiraz 2018

Colour: Bright, rich red

Bouquet: : Perfumed floral notes, backed up by violets with complex spice undertones and hints of fynbos.

Taste: Medium-bodied with ripe plums, black currant and a luxurious tannin structure. A beautifully balanced wine with a lingering, memorable finish.

Excellent enjoyed with Mediterranean style dishes, spicy lamb, beef or pork roasts. A great accompaniment to smoked meat as well as a traditional South African Barbeque

variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz

winery : Alto Estate

winemaker : Bertho van der Westhuizen

wine of origin : Stellenbosch

analysis : alc : 14.4 % vol rs : 2.7 g/l pH : 3.5 ta : 5.9 g/l

type : Red **style** : Dry **body** : Medium **taste** : Fruity **wooded**

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

in the vineyard : The grapes for this wine came from vineyards planted in deep, red, decomposed granite and clay soils on a north-westerly slope, situated some 100 m to 150 m above sea level. The vines are grown under dryland conditions and are trellised on a five-wire hedge system. They yielded 8 to 12 tons per hectare.

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested by hand at 24.5° to 26° Balling in mid-March

in the cellar : After destalking and crushing the grapes, the juice was fermented for seven days on the skins in stainless-steel tanks at 25° to 27°C. A small portion of about 10% of the grapes are whole bunch fermented. We use a pump-over system. After malolactic fermentation, the wine was aged in wood for 18 months, using a combination of first, second and third fill French oak barrels.



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