

Birdfield Merlot Shiraz 2001

Honeywax and almonds with the typical smoky undertone of Shiraz.

variety : Merlot | Merlot, Shiraz

winery :

winemaker : Bob de Villiers

wine of origin : Olifants River

analysis : alc : 13.5 % vol rs : 3.4 g/l pH : 3.7 ta : 5.5 g/l va : 0.64 g/l so2 : 102 mg/l fso2 : 42 mg/l

type : Red



in the vineyard : Area planted: 3.1 ha

Age of vines: 6 years

Rootstock: Richter 99

Trellis system: Perold

Irrigation: Drip

Vine density: 1,5 X 2.7m

Soil: Karoo

Climate: Hot days and cold nights

about the harvest: The grapes were harvested by hand on the 5/02/2001

Yield: 10 tons/ha

in the cellar : Crushing/Destemming: Yes

Tanks (type): Open Fermenters

Fermentation protocol (vessel, temp, duration): 7 days

Malolactic (y/n): Yes

Lees contact/battonage: Yes

Barrel ageing (oak type, % of blend, duration): Yes, French(70%) and American oak(30%)

Fining: Egg White

Filtration: Cross Flow

Stabilisation: Yes