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Groot Constantia Shiraz 2002



The Shiraz is well balanced with flavours and hints of mint and blackcurrant, some good fleshy fruit backed by firm tannins. It has a small percentage of American Oak, which gives a touch of sweetness and vanilla character to the wine.

Karoo lamb and herb crust, oxtail potjie.

variety : Shiraz | 100% Shiraz
winery : Groot Constantia Estate
winemaker : Boela Gerber
wine of origin : Coastal
analysis : **alc :** 13.64 % vol **rs :** 1.8 g/l **pH :** 3.71 **ta :** 6.0 g/l **va :** 0.66 g/l **so2 :** 68 mg/l **fso2 :** 39 mg/l
type : Red **style :** Dry **body :** Full **taste :** Fruity **wooded**
pack : Bottle

in the vineyard : Climate: Situated on the Cape Peninsula overlooking False Bay. The vineyards are tucked on the steep valley on the Eastern side of Table Mountain. The area is blessed with a maritime climate due to the oceans on both sides and annual average rainfall of 1100mm.
Soil type: Clovelly and Glenrosa

about the harvest: The grapes were picked at 23 - 24Â· Balling.

in the cellar : Fermentation took place in the open tanks and lots of pump overs. Wines matured in New French Oak Barrels 225 litres as well as 2nd and 3rd fill, with 10% in American Oak for a period of 12 months.