



## KWV CLASSIC COLLECTION SHIRAZ 2012

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**Wine of origin:**

Western Cape

**Vintage conditions:**

The winter preceding the 2012 vintage was characterised by far lower than average rainfall. This trend continued into the summer leaving un-irrigated areas challenged and ultimately resulted in reductions in yield of up to 50% for these vineyards. Irrigated vineyards fared better, but also showed signs of lower soil moisture by way of the reduced berry size and bunch weight. A cooler ripening season with even temperatures led to steady and measured ripening of the grapes. Overall, the smaller berry size and lower yields promise great concentration, good quality and intense colour in the 2012 vintage wines.

**Wine description:**

This vibrant Shiraz shows upfront mulberry and raspberry aromas with notes of white pepper, dried herbs and ripe fruit. The palate is juicy, with an angular tannin structure and a velvet, lingering finish.

**Maturation:**

Components of the wine were oak matured for eight to ten months.

**Serving suggestion:**

Enjoy this wine with any red meat dishes, grilled chicken or a variety of hard cheeses.

**Cellaring potential:**

Enjoy this wine now or cellar for up to three years.

**Wine analysis:**

Alcohol:	13.94 % v/v
pH:	3.48
Total acidity:	5.83 g/l
Residual sugar:	5.06 g/l

